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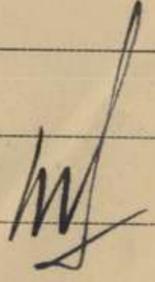
23 Infantry Brigade
December 1945

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Army Form C.2118.
(Adapted.)

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Unit 23 Inf Bde Date and Time.—From 5 Dec To 28 Dec

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	5 Dec	0700	23 Bde HQ moved into 29 Bde HQ area and assumed command of 29 Bde units. Brig N W SIMPSON DSO took over comd of 23 Bde from Brig A W POTTS DSO, MC. Maj J A OLIVER BM 29 Bde, Capt D L CAMPBELL I.O. 29 Bde and Lt F G BROWN BOO 29 Bde remain with 23 Bde in the same appointments.	
	6 Dec	1100	Lt-Col GOSLETT CO 8 Bn and Lt-Col P G WEBSTER CO 27 Bn visited the Bde comd.	
		1230	The Bde comd visited the "Arts and Crafts" exhibition with the bde IO	
		1800	Film shown in bde area "Ox-Bow Incident" and "The Perfect Snob"	
	7 Dec	0900	The bde comd visited 47 bn. Maj R C TOMKINS DAAG 3 Div called on the bde comd during the morning. A conference was held with the BM and SC re planning staff for the movement of FAURO FORCE.	
		1000	Lt-Col COURT AA&QMG 3 Div visited the bde comd.	
		1300	The bde comd in a conference of all HQ offrs, outlined his policy, stressing the necessity for efficiency and cooperation amongst all members of the HQ.	
	8 Dec		Capt C I GUEST former GSO III (Ops) 3 Div arrived at the HQ to take up the appointment of BM (L).	
	9 Dec		Camp construction continued at the HQ and arrangements completed for erection of additional offices for 3 Div officers moving to the area within the next 10 days.	

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TOROKINA	9 Dec (contd)		Lt-Col GOSLETT CO 8 Bn and Maj PICKETT adm comd 27 Bn visited the bde comd.	
	10 Dec	0930	Bde comds "O" gp for COs and OCs of units who will constitute FAURO FORCE. The comd outlined the bde policy and emphasised the need for strict discipline and the necessity for close teamwork between the staff and the services.	
		1800	Film shown in the bde area "The Affairs of Susan".	
	12 Dec		Warning order received by 29 Bde, for all personnel 181 points and over, including unit cadres to prepare for movement to the mainland per RIVER LODDON. ETA 15 Dec.	
		0600	GOC 3 Div Maj-Gen W BRIDGEFORD CB, CBE, MC, the bde comd and BM flew to FAURO per Catalina and returned at 1315K. The visit was to ascertain the progress of developement of the area and the radio reception on the island, with a view to establishing a broadcasting station.	
			Lt-Col FRY CO 47 Bn marched out to 4 BSA to adm comd.	
			Maj S M McDONALD appointed adm comd of 47 Bn.	
			Lt-Col HH McDONALD CO 15 Inf Bn appointed to comd 16 Inf Bn in NEW BRITAIN, to move approx 23 Dec because of present hospitalization.	
			Lt-Col P G WEBSTER appointed to command 7 Bn from 27 Bn.	
			Maj S W PICKETT to be adm comd 27 Bn.	

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Unit 23 Inf Bde

Date and Time.—From 5 Dec

To 28 Dec

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	13 Dec	0900	Bde comd and IO attended GOC 3 Div investiture of 4 members of the PIB on PIB pde ground.	
		1700	Bde comd and BM attended evening mess at PIB.	
		1800	Film shown in bde area "Spring Parade".	
	14 Dec		Target dates for some of the services for FAURO have been accelerated. The BM left for FAURO via launch for 2 day visit. Most officers of 23 and 29 Bde HQs attended the final night at the TOROKINA Officers Club.	APPX.
	15 Dec	1700	Lt-Col ELLIOTT SMITH CO PIB and Col ALLEN OBE, MC, Regimental PIB comd visited the comd for evening mess. Demob points have dropped from 180 to 160. Arrangements in hand for guard of honour to GOC 3 Div on 20 Dec.	
	16 Dec	1300	The BM returned from FAURO IS.	
	17 Dec		29 Bde stores loaded on RIVER LODDEN, but owing to lack of cooking arrangements and other convenience, which have to be provided from labour at TOROKINA, personnel will probably not board before Wed 19 Dec.	
		1800	Film shown in the bde area "Captain Eddie".	<i>WJ</i>

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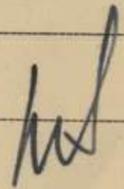
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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TO ROKINA	18 Dec		Increment of Div officers and staffs moved into 23 Bde area. List of officers now on the HQ with appointments attached as appx.	Appx
		0800	Advance party of 29 Bde embarked on RIVER LODDEN.	
	19 Dec	0800	Maj-Gen BRIDGEFORD CB, CBE, MC visited the Bde HQ and farewelled officers in the mess. The General will be flying to the mainland on the 20th.	
		0600	Remainder of 29 Bde boarded the RIVER LODDEN. The bde comd and BM farewelled the troops as they moved on board at Beach 4.	
		0930	Majors BREHENNY and TOMKINS DAQMG and DAAG 3 Div visited the BM and discussed final details of change of comd from 3 Div to 23 Bde. The Bde comd inspected the Gaurd of Honour practicing in 3 Div camp area for the GOC's departure.	
	20 Dec		Comd passes from 3 Div to 23 Bde as from 0001K and all units previously under comd 3 Div come under comd 23 Bde.	
		0600	The GOC 3 Div departed by air for AUSTRALIA from PIVA air-strip. The bde comd and comds of units on the island farewelled the General on the Strip. A guard of honour drawn from units of 23 BDE was inspected by the General.	
		0900 1800	The bde comd inspected new units under comd. Film shown in bde area "The Enchanted Cottage".	

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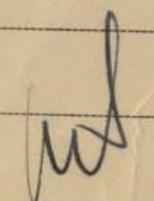
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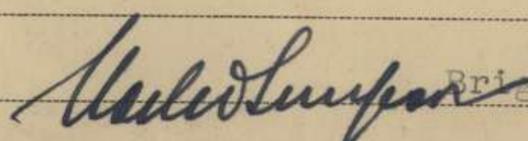
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TOROKINA	21 Dec	0830	Lt-Col ELLIOTT-SMITH CO PIB visited the bde comd.	
	24 Dec	1800	Film shown in bde HQ area "The Maltese Falcon".	
	25 Dec		Xmas day services held in bde areas. Heavy rain commenced falling at 10 AM and continued throughout the day. Consequently the day was cooler than usual, and more conducive to complete enjoyment of the excellent Xmas dinners which were served in all messes.	
		1130	The bde comd visited the OR's messes and conveyed to all the compliments of the season.	
		1800	Official guests representing the Army, Navy and Air Force attended a buffet dinner in the offr's mess. Message received from First Army, advising the comd that the Prime Minister will be visiting BOUGAINVILLE on the 27 th.	
	26 Dec		Rain continued throughout the day. The bde comd and BM lunched on the "KATOOMBA". Capt JJ O'DONNELL BASCO and Lt A G ELLIOTT Hygiene Officer marched out for discharge.	
	27 Dec	1020	The Prime Minister Rt Hon J B CHIFLEY with staff arrived by air from LAE. He was met at the strip by the bde comd and comd 4 Base Sub Area Lt-Col FRY and driven to 23 Bde HQ. Mr CHIFLEY lunched at bde HQ with bde HQ staff and senior officers of the arms and services.	

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TOROKINA	27 Dec (contd)		After lunch the PM broadcast to troops from 9AC, and visited the CCS. Owing to the bad weather, the PM's plane was unable to leave for RABAU and arrangements were made for the PM and his party to remain overnight at Bde HQ. Mr CHIPLEY visited the OR's messes during the evening meal and chatted to the men, answering questions and discussing points of interest.	
		1800	The PM and Bde comd attended pictures in bde HQ area. Film shown "Indiscretion". Rain continued throughout the day.	
	28 Dec	0700	The PM and staff were farewelled by the bde comd and BM at PIVA airstrip on leaving for RABAU. Heavy rain still falling, but weather conditions en route have improved sufficiently for trip to be made. Lt-Col H H McDONALD stayed the night at bde HQ prior to movement to RABAU to comd 16 Bn. Notification received from First Army dropping priority points to 150. All personnel under 150 points, who are not posted to units in the FAURO OOB will be moved to RABAU. Capt J TREVENEN LO 1 left for FAURO IS to supervise the erection and lay out of bde HQ.	
			 Brig Comd 23 Inf Bde	

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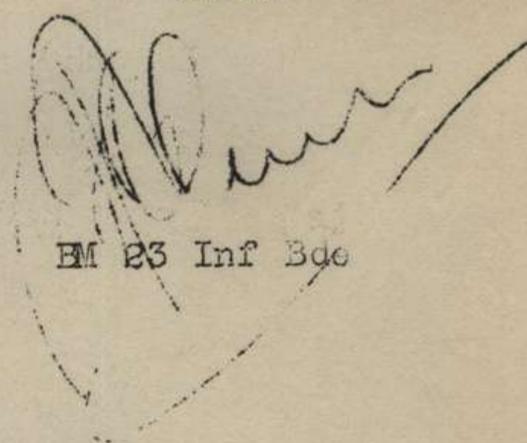
ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

MAJ J A OLIVER
EM 23 AUST INF BDE

243. DUTY ROSTER

<u>Date</u>				<u>Duty Officer</u>	<u>Duty NCO</u>
Tue	11	Dec	45	Lt DYSON	CPL TULLEY
Wed	12	"	45	Lt COUSINS	" FARRELL
Thurs	13	"	45	Capt SANGSTER	Sgt McHUTCHISON
Fri	14	"	45	Lt WILSON	Cpl CAIRE
Sat	15	"	45	Capt TREATT	" ROBERTSON
Sun	16	"	45	Lt JONES	Sgt FINN
Mon	17	"	45	Capt CAMPBELL	S/Sgt REVELL
Tue	18	"	45	Capt O'DONNELL	" EDWARD
Wed	19	"	45	Capt EWING	Sgt RODD
Thur	20	"	45	Lt SCOTT	" COWAN



EM 23 Inf Bde

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244.

Duty Officers

Duty NCOs

Dec	20	Lt	BROWN	Sgt	McHUTCHISON
"	21	Lt	WRIGHT	Sgt	FINN
"	22	Lt	HOPE	S/Sgt	REVELL
"	23	Capt	O'SHEA	Sgt	EDWARD
"	24	Capt	SMIONS	Sgt	COWAN
"	25	Lt	COUSENS	Sgt	JEROME
"	26	Lt	BERRY	Sgt	MOORE
"	27	Capt	CAMPBELL	Sgt	HAMILTON
"	28	Capt	GUEST	Cpl	NICHOLL
"	29	Capt	MARRAR	S/Sgt	CRICK
"	30	Capt	McKEW	Sgt	PIETZSCH
"	31	Capt	EWING	Cpl	TULLEY
Jan	1	Lt	QUINN	Cpl	FARRELL
"	2	Capt	TEATT	Cpl	CAIRE
"	3	Capt	WOOD	Cpl	ROBERTSON
"	4	Capt	STEPHENS	Cpl	LAWLEY
"	5	Capt	O'DONNELL	Cpl	GARDNER
"	6	Lt	SCOTT	Cpl	CARTER
"	7	Capt	TREVENEN	Cpl	WILLIAMS

245. VACANCIES - COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC SERVICES

From time to time vacancies in the Commonwealth and State Public Services Departments are published in GROs and particulars regarding applications for such vacancies may be obtained at the Camp Office.

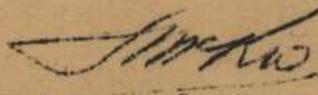
246. APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO COLONIAL SERVICE

1. To clarify the position, all applications for civil colonial office appointments must be made under and in accordance with notices appearing in GROs 12 Oct 45 page 11 para 5.

This applies, irrespective of whether applications for Staff Officer Civil Affairs has been made under notices in GROs 7 Sep 45.

2. Date of submission of applications to Manpower has been extended to 31 Dec 45.

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Camp Comd 23 Inf Bde. Capt.

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Subject : 23 AUST INF BDE LOCATION STATEMENT AND ORDER OF BATTLE NO.19.

HQ 23 Inf Bde
G1/45/2225
13 Dec 45

1. Attached as Appendix "A" is 23 Inf Bde Location Statement and Order of Battle No 19.
2. This statement includes locations and command of units of 23 Inf Bde as at 2359 hrs 13 Dec 45.
3. It is requested that any errors in location or command of units be notified to this HQ by units concerned.
4. Please destroy 23 Inf Bde Location Statement and Order of Battle No 19.
5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Encl

[Handwritten Signature]
Maj
HQ 23 Inf Bde

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23 INF BDE

LOCATION STATEMENT AND ORDER OF BATTLE NO 19

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Ref Maps - TOROKINA

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Appendix "A" to HQ 23 Inf Bde
G1/45/2225 of 13 Dec 45.

Serial	Arm or Service	War Office Serial No.	Unit	Ref Map	Location	Remarks
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
1	Hq Units	61547	HQ 23 Inf Bde (AIF)	TOROKINA	601896	Under Comd 3 Div
2		46112	HQ 29 Inf Bde (AIF)	"	601896	Under Comd 23 Inf Bde
3		46117	Hq Force Maintenance Area	FAURO IS	731159	
4	Engrs	46157	23 Fd Coy (AIF) less	TOROKINA	583958	
4A			Det 23 Fd Coy (AIF)	FAURO IS	731159	
5		47194	Det 7 Army Tps Coy (AIF)	" "	731159	
6	Sigs	49275	23 Inf Bde Sig Sec less	TOROKINA	601896	
6A			Det " " " " "	FAURO IS	731159	
7		48127	29 Inf Bde Sig Sec (AIF)	TOROKINA	601896	
8	Inf	46175	7 Inf Bn (AIF) less	FAURO IS	731159	
8A			A, B, C, D Coys 7 Inf Bn (AIF)	" " " "	742158	BALLALE IS
8B			Det 7 Inf Bn (AIF)	SHORTLAND IS (Special)	498058	BALLALE IS
9		46176	8 Inf Bn (AIF)	TOROKINA	601930	
10		46114	15 Inf Bn	"	601906	

Serial	Arm of Service	War Office Serial No.	Unit	Ref Map	Location	Remarks
11		46170	27 Inf Bn (AIF)	TOROKINA	602931	
12		46115	42 Inf Bn	TOROKINA	609901	
13		46117	47 Inf Bn	TOROKINA	610906	
14		48050	Papuan Inf Bn	TOROKINA	631891	Under Comd 23 Inf Bde
15		61005	28 Pl G Coy 2/1 Gd Regt	TOROKINA	580933	LHQ Tps
16	Int		Det ATIS	FAURO IS	731159	For local adm only Comprises 2 Corps and 5 Div Lang Dets
17	ST	49446	243 Sup Dep Pl (AIF) less	TOROKINA	567933	
17A			Det " " " " "	FAURO IS	731159	
18		49447	244 Sup Dep Pl (AIF)	TOROKINA	569933	
19		48448	40 Tpt Pl TS (AIF)	TOROKINA	607930	
20		47493	Det 13 Fd Baking Pl	FAURO IS	731159	
21	Al Tn	48492	Det 13 Small Ships Coy (AIF)	FAURO IS	731159	For local adm only. Army Tps.
22	Al Tn	48276	Det 42 Ldg Craft Coy (AIF)	FAURO IS	731159	" " " " " "
23		92423	Det 1 Water Amb Convoy (AIF)	FAURO IS	731159	
24	Med	46180	MDS 17 Fd Amb (AIF)	FAURO IS	732158	
24A			A - B Coys, 17 Fd Amb	TOROKINA	587928	
25		46597	Hq 63 Dental Unit (AIF)	TOROKINA	587928	
25A	Dental	46597	A Sec 63 Dental Unit	FAURO IS	731159	

Serial	Arm of Service	War Office Serial No.	Unit	Ref Map	Location	Remarks
26	Ord	46238	109 Bde Ord Fd Pk (LIF)	TOROKINA	607932	
27		46237	109 Bde Wksps (LIF) less	TOROKINA	607932	
27A			Det 109 Bde Wksps (LIF)	FLURO IS	731159	
28		46174	2/108 LAD (Type J)	TOROKINA	580934	Att H, 23 Inf Bde
29		46113	312 LAD (Type J) (LIF)	TOROKINA	600898	" " " " "
30	Postal	92913	23 Inf Bde Postal Sec	TOROKINA	601896	
31		92917	29 Inf Bde Postal Sec	"	601896	
32	Pro	49492	14 Indep Pro Pl	"	605929	
33	Misc	45543	Det NG AA Canteens Service	FLURO IS	731159	
34			Det Mob Cinema	" "	731159	

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SPECIAL ORDER BY BRIGADIER A W POTTS DSO MC
COMD 23 INF BDE (AIF)

HQ 23 Inf Bde

4 Dec 45

On handing over the command of 23 Inf Bde to Brig.
SIMPSON, I desire to convey to all Officers, NCO's and men
of the Bde Gp my thanks for their loyalty and friendly co-
operation and their unselfish service.

The standard of our efficiency as a Bde and the
fighting spirit of the troops will remain always as a vivid
memory.

Good luck to everyone of you in the future, and a
safe and early return to your loved ones.

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23 inf bde . HQ 29 inf bde 29 inf bde sig sec 14 inf bn 42 inf bn

47 inf bn papuan inf bn 29 inf bde postal sec . HQ det 63 dental

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GENERAL

1. This instruction sets out the general policy of 23 Inf Bde Gp (anticipated OOB attached as Appx 'A') for the garrison of FAURO IS and in particular the responsibilities and immediate implementations necessary by 7 Inf Bn (AIF), HQ and units of force maintenance area, to take effect from 2359 hrs 8 Dec 45.

2. All previous instructions are cancelled

3. The concentration of 23 Inf Bde Gp will be completed by approximately 31 Jan 46 when HQ 23 Inf Bde will assume certain responsibilities now delegated to units at present at or moving to FAURO IS.

4. Probable dates of final concentration at FAURO IS are as under:

(a) HQ 23 Inf Bde	
23 Inf Bde Sig Sec	
Det 34 hy Wireless Sec	
(b) 7 Inf Bn (AIF)	30 Jan 46
(c) PIB	at FAURO IS
(d) 17 Fd Amb (AIF) less two coys	25 Jan 46
Two secs 63 Dental Unit (AIF)	
(e) Force Maintenance Area	10 Dec 45
(i) HQ Force Maintenance Area	6 Dec 45
(ii) HQ 23 Fd Coy (AIF) with increment	8 Dec 45
(iii) 243 Sup Depot Pl (AIF)	25 Dec 45
(iv) One Sec 40 Tpt Pl (AIF)	25 Dec 45
(v) Det 11 Fd Baking Pl	10 Jan 46
(vi) 109 Bde Ord Fd Pk (AIF)	10 Jan 46
(vii) 2/108 LAD	10 Jan 46
(viii) Port Landing Craft Coy	8 Dec 45
(ix) Depot Cash Office	10 Jan 46
(x) 23 Inf Bde Postal Sec	10 Jan 46
(xi) Det AA Canteens Service	10 Jan 46
(xii) Det 1 Cinema Unit	10 Jan 46
(xiii) 14 Indep Pro Pl (AIF)	at FAURO IS
	10 Jan 46

RESPONSIBILITIES - 7 INF BN (AIF) and 17 FD AMB (AIF)

5. 7 INF BN (AIF) is responsible for :

- (a) supervision and control of surrendered Japanese
- (b) security of Aust garrison
- (c) allocation and control of Japanese working parties

6. 17 FD AMB (AIF) to be temporarily under command force maintenance area and is responsible for :

- (a) care and evacuation of all Aust sick on FAURO IS
- (b) malarial control on FAURO IS
- (c) medical supervision of surrendered Japanese

RESPONSIBILITY FORCE MAINTENANCE AREA

7. HQ Force Maintenance Area is responsible for :

- (a) Discipline, control and administration of all units under command (ref OOB Appx 'A'). Units to come under command on arrival FAURO IS.
- (b) The maintenance of Aust force.
- (c) The maintenance of surrendered Japanese forces in liaison with 7 Inf Bn (AIF)
- (d) Internal security of all maintenance installations and stores.
- (e) Supervision of control of port.
- (f) Supervision and control of development of FAURO IS in liaison with OC 23 Fd Coy (AIF)

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8. 23 Fd Coy (AIF) is responsible for :
 - (a) Engr advice to comd 23 Inf Bde
 - (b) Development of FAURO IS
 - (c) Technical supervision of Japanese Engr tasks
 - (d) Operation of engr dump and control of use engr stores and equipment
 - (e) Operation of mechanical equipment
 - (f) Operation and maintenance of lighting and refrigeration plants
 9. 243 Sup Depot Pl (AIF) is responsible for :
 - (a) Receiving, holding and detailed issue of all Aust rations and expense stores
 - (b) Receiving holding and issuing in bulk of Japanese rations and expense stores
 - (c) Supervision of detailed issue of Japanese rations and expense stores.
 10. One Sec 40 Tpt Pl is responsible for execution of all transport tasks ordered by comd force maintenance area
 11. Port Landing Craft Coy is responsible for :
 - (a) Movement of all stores and personnel by water as ordered by Comd force maintenance area
 - (b) Control of port as ordered by Comd force maintenance area
 - (c) Supervision of Japanese water transport until disembarkment
 - (d) Execution of any mechanical repairs, considered necessary which are beyond the capacity of 2/108 LAD.
 12. 109 Bde Ord Fd Pk (AIF) is responsible for the holding of all mechanical spare parts including those for watercraft.
 13. 2/108 LAD is responsible for all first and second echelon repairs on FAURO IS excluding watercraft.
 14. 14 Indep Pro Pl is responsible for
 - (a) Traffic control
 - (b) Policing of anti malarial precautions throughout Aust forces.
 - (c) Security of cargoes from ship to storage
 - (d) Any provost duties as ordered by Comd force maintenance area.

SURRENDERED JAPANESE

15. STATUS : Japanese in FAURO IS will be treated as **disarmed** Japanese and NOT PW, consequently regulations appertaining to PW do not apply.
16. PAYMENT : No payment will be made for work done by surrendered Japanese nor discussion entered into concerning payment or provisions of payment.
17. MAIL AND PRINTED MATTER : Mail will not be received or despatched by surrendered Japanese nor will they have in their possession any newspapers or other printed matter unless approved by CO 7 Inf Bn (AIF)
18. CONTROL : Implementation of instructions and discipline will be maintained through the Japanese chain of command.
19. FRATERNISATION
 - (a) Under no circumstances will fraternisation or exchange of goods between Aust personnel and surrendered Japanese be permitted.
 - (b) Aust personnel will only speak to surrendered Japanese personnel in course of duty.
 - (c) COs and sub unit commanders will ensure that the above order is strictly enforced and any infringement severely punished.

20. COMPLIMENTS

- (a) Surrendered Japanese will pay compliments to all Aust officers at all times, irrespective of difference of rank.
- (b) Officers will only acknowledge compliments of surrendered Japanese Staff officers appointed as liaison officers or Japanese area commanders and then only in the course of duty.

21. ADMINISTRATION to be observed in the control of surrendered Japanese is attached as Appx 'B'

DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

22. Works for immediate implementation are set down showing target dates in Appx 'C' attached.

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DISTRIBUTION

7 Inf Bn (AIF)
PIB
23 Fd Coy (AIF)
23 Inf Bde Sig Sec
243 Sup Depot Pl (AIF)
40 Tpt Pl (AIF)
17 Fd Amb (AIF)
109 Bde Ord Fd Pk (AIF)
2/108 LAD
23 Inf Bde Postal Sec
14 Indep Pro Pl (AIF)
HQ Force Maintenance Area
3 Div (AIF) (for infm)
Comd
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Lt-Col PGC WEBSTER	27 Inf Bn (AIF)
Maj H H LACK OBE	15 Inf Bn
Maj C JONES	7 Inf Bn (AIF)
Capt T COLQUHOUN	54 Port Landing Craft Coy

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APPENDIX 'A' to
23 Inf Bde Adm Instr 24/45
of 5 Dec 45

ANTICIPATED ORDER OF BATTLE - FAURO ISLAND GARRISON

Serial	Arm	Unit	Approx Strength (Personnel only)
1.	HQ	HQ 23 Inf Bde	85
2.	Engrs	HQ 23 Fd Coy with increment of 20 other ranks	73
3.	Sigs	23 Inf Bde Sig Sec (AIF)	49
4.		Det 34 Hy Wireless Sec	8
5.		One Cipher Sec (Type F)	8
6.	Inf	7 Inf Bn (AIF)	835
7.		Papuan Inf Bn	699
8.	Int	Det ATIS	2
9.	S T	243 Sup Depot Pl (AIF)	33
10.		Det 11 Fd Baking Pl	18
11.		One Sec 40 Tpt Pl (AIF)	18
12	AA TN	D Port Landing Craft Company	119
		(In process of being organised on WE IV/236/2 Authority to complete awaited)	
13.		Det 1 Water Amb Convoy	10
14	Med	17 Fd Amb (AIF) less two coys plus : Surgical team and X ray facilities	108
15.	Dental	Two Secs 63 Aust Dental Unit (AIF)	18
16.	Ord	109 Bde Ord Fd Pk (AIF)	28
17.	EME	2/108 LAD (Type J)	31
18	PAY	Depot Cash Office (Type C)	4
19	POSTS	23 Inf Bde Postal Sec	4
20	PRO	14 Indep Pro Pl (AIF)	39
21	CANTEENS	Det AA Canteens Service	8
22	AMENITIES	Det 1 Cinema Unit	6

CONTROL OF SURRENDERED JAPANESE FORCES

1. 7 Inf Bn (AIF) is responsible for :
 - (a) Supervision and control of surrendered Japanese
 - (b) Allocation and control of Japanese working parties

ADMINISTRATION

2. All matters effecting surrendered Japanese will be dealt with by 7 Inf Bn (AIF) in liaison with Comd force maintenance area where necessary.
3. Detailed responsibilities are as under :
 - (a) Collection of all returns relating to surrendered Japanese.
 - (b) Provision and supervision of Japanese working parties as demanded by Comd force maintenance area and required by 7 Inf Bn (AIF)
 - (c) Direction of maintenance of surrendered Japanese forces.
 - (d) Implementation of policy of self sufficiency of surrendered Japanese by assistance in the provision of plants and cuttings.
 - (e) Inspection of Japanese areas to ensure that areas are maintained at required standard
 - (f) To supervise Japanese liaison HQ, ref para 4 below.

JAPANESE LIAISON HQ

4. A liaison HQ of approved army and navy officers is established. All orders to surrendered Japanese are passed to this HQ for action
5. Duties are as under :
 - (a) Implementation and promulgation of all orders by CO 7 Inf Bn (AIF)
 - (b) Administration and discipline within Japanese areas as directed
 - (c) Attendance for orders as directed
 - (d) Collection and collation of all requests and reports of Japanese area commanders for presentation

JAPANESE AREAS

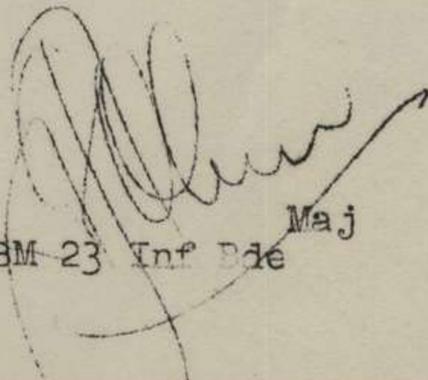
7. Surrendered Japanese are allotted areas under comd of an approved senior Japanese officer as shown on trace attached as annexure 'X'

MEDICAL

8. Japanese medical services are responsible for health of all surrendered Japanese forces under supervision of senior Aust medical officer at FAURO IS.

WATER TRANSPORT

9. Japanese water transport is under control of Port Landing Craft Coy and on completion of concentration of Port Landing Company will be disbanded.


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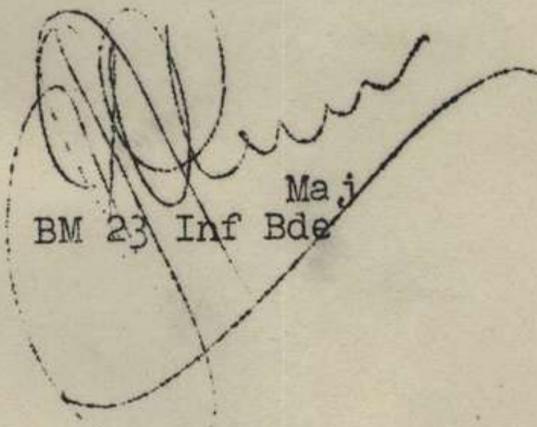
DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

1. Target dates for the completion of works are as under

(a) Movement of HQ 7 Inf Bn (AIF)	by	20 Dec 45
(b) Maintenance area		
(i) Watercraft area		15 Dec 45
(ii) FSD		25 Dec 45
(iii) Engr Store		10 Dec 45
(iv) Remainder		10 Jan 46
(c) HQ 23 Inf Bde		
(i) Clearing		25 Dec 45
(ii) Building		20 Jan 46
(d) Roads		
(i) To PIB		31 Dec 45
(ii) To HQ 23 Inf Bde		25 Dec 45
(iii) To WESTERN BAY		31 Dec 45
(e) PIB		
(i) Clearing		15 Jan 46
(ii) Building		30 Jan 46
(f) BULALE STRIP		25 Dec 45
(g) Power Station and Lighting		31 Dec 45

2. 7 Inf Bn (AIF) will provide Japanese labour as required by OC 23 Fd Coy (AIF) and Comd force maintenance area.

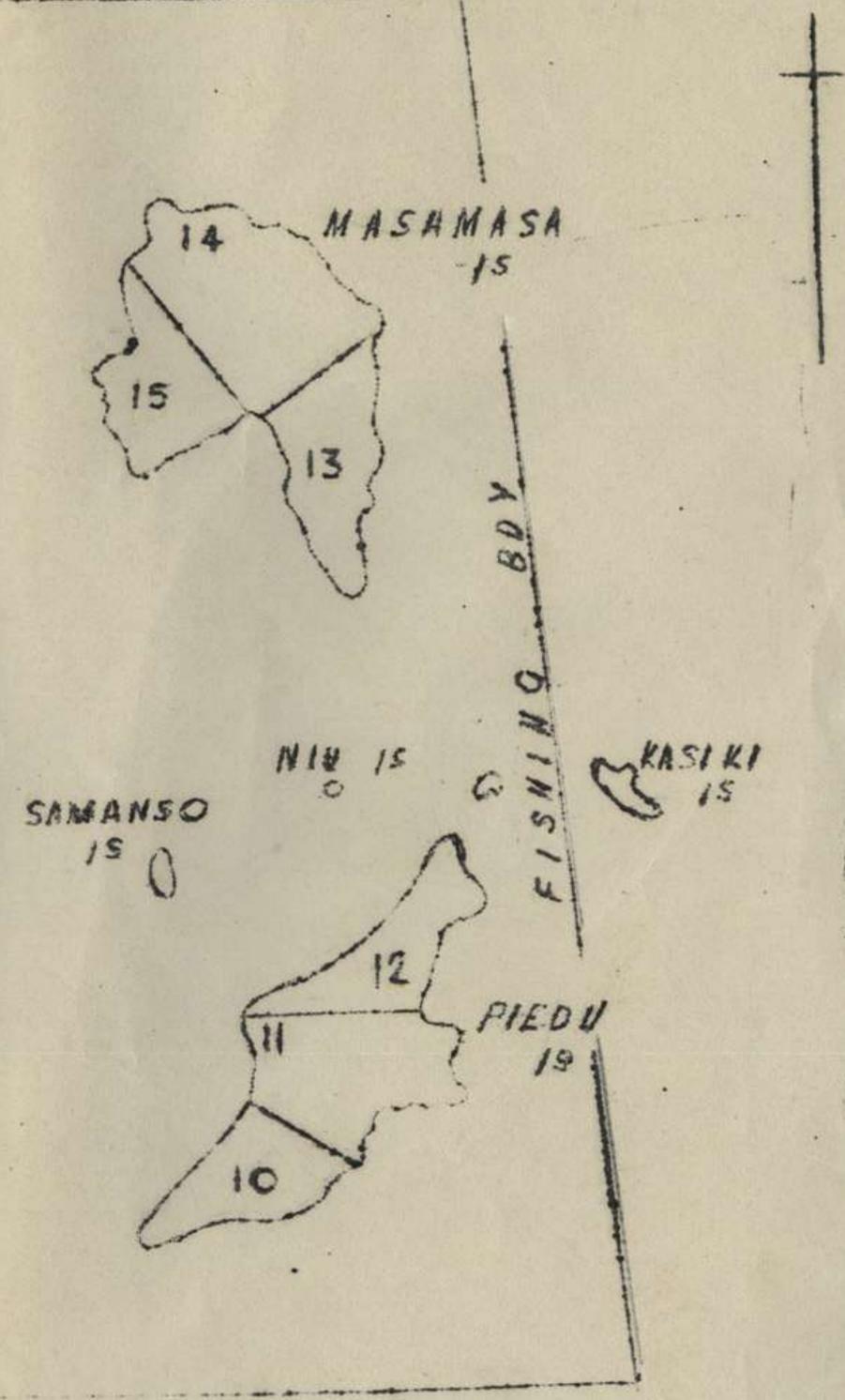
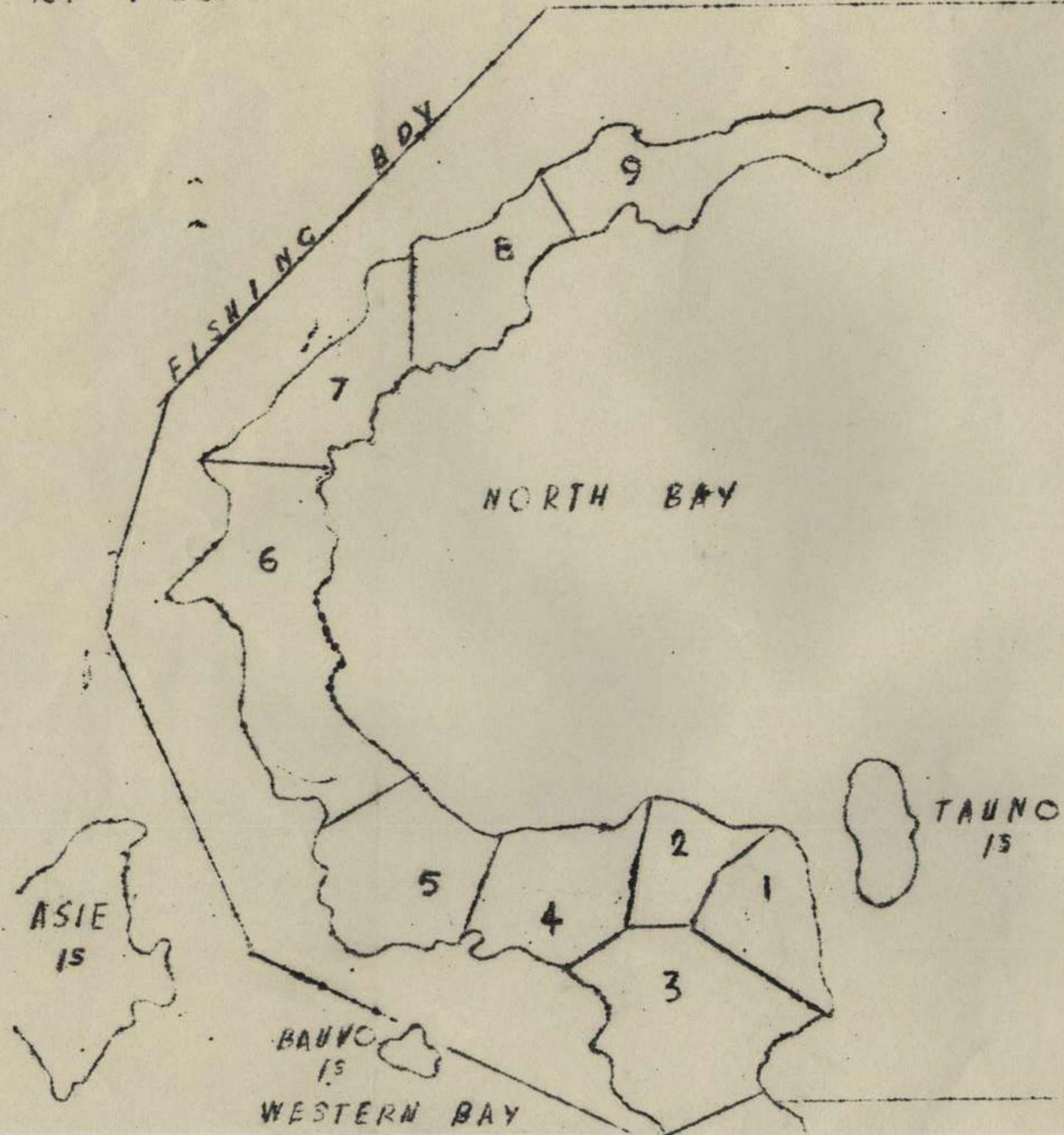
3. All development will be supervised by Comd force maintenance area in liaison with OC 23 Fd Coy


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ANNEXURE X
TO 23 INF BDE ADM INSTN
24/45 OF 5 DEC



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Subject : DISTRIBUTION LISTS

HQ 23 Inf Bde
G1/45/2224

1. Herewith 23 Aust Inf Bde Distribution List as at 7 Dec 45
2. This List supercedes Distribution List issued under reference G1/8/4108.
3. ACK. ide

Serial	UNIT	A	B	C	D
1.	HQ 29 Inf Bde (AIF)	1	1	1	-
2.	23 Fd Coy (AIF)	-	1	4	1
3.	23 Inf Bde Sig Sec (AIF)	-	1	1	1
4.	29 Inf Bde Sig Sec (AIF)	-	1	1	-
5.	Det 34 Hy Wireless Sec	-	-	1	-
6.	7 Inf Bn (AIF)	1	1	6	1
7.	8 Inf Bn (AIF)	1	1	6	-
8.	15 Inf Bn	1	1	6	-
9.	27 Inf Bn (AIF)	1	1	6	-
10.	42 Inf Bn	1	1	6	-
11.	47 Inf Bn	1	1	6	-
12.	Papuan Inf Bn	1	1	6	1
13.	HQ Force Maintenance Area (FAURO IS)	-	-	-	1
14.	101 Hy Mortar Coy (AIF)	-	1	1	-
15.	28 Pl 201 Coy 2/1 Gd Regt	-	1	1	-
16.	Det ATIS	-	-	-	1
17.	243 Sup Dep Pl AASC (AIF)	-	1	1	1
18.	244 Sup Dep Pl AASC (AIF)	-	1	1	-
19.	Det 11 Fd Baking Pl	-	-	-	1
20.	40 Tpt Pl (TS) (AIF)	-	1	1	1
21.	D Port Landing Craft Coy	-	-	-	1
22.	Det 1 Water Amb Convoy	-	-	-	1
23.	17 Fd Amb (AIF)	-	1	4	1
24.	109 Bde Ord Fd Pk (AIF)	-	1	1	1
25.	109 Bde Wksp (AIF) AEME	-	1	1	-
26.	2/108 LAD (Type J) AEME	-	1	1	1
27.	312 LAD (Type J) AEME	-	1	1	-
28.	Depot Cash Office (Type C)	-	-	-	1
29.	23 Inf Bde Postal Sec	-	1	1	1
30.	29 Inf Bde Postal Sec	-	1	1	-
31.	14 Indep Bde Gp Pro Pl (AIF)	-	1	1	1
32.	Comd	1	1	1	1
33.	BM	1	1	1	1
34.	SC	1	1	1	1
35.	IO	1	1	1	1
36.	LO 1	-	1	1	1
37.	LO 2	-	1	1	1
38.	TO	-	1	1	1
39.	BASCO	-	1	1	1
40.	B00	-	1	1	1
41.	Legal Offr	-	1	1	1
42.	Amen Offr	-	1	1	1
43.	Educ Offr	-	1	1	1
44.	Hyg Offr	-	1	1	1
45.	Camp Comd	-	1	1	1
46.	CSM	-	1	1	1
47.	CQMS	-	1	1	1
48.	War Diary	2	2	2	2
49.	File	1	1	1	1
Distribution List "B".		TOTAL			
		15	43	85	37

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7 Dec 45

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SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATION - HQ 23 INF BDE PERSONNEL

HQ 23 Inf Bde
A12/16

1. For the purpose of administration and discipline, Bde HQ will be divided into platoons to be commanded as follows with Camp Comd (TO) as OC HQ personnel.

SC(L) Command area Group

LO(3) Batmen, cooks and stewards of Officers Mess

LO(2)
Assistant
Camp Comd Transport

Sig O Bde Sig Sec

Hyg Offr Cooks and stewards of remaining kitchens plus all other personnel not included in the above platoons.

Each platoon commander will parade and inspect his platoon at 0730 hrs each morning except :

(a) Monday, when the Camp Commandant will hold a Coy parade of Bde HQ personnel and inspect sub-units.

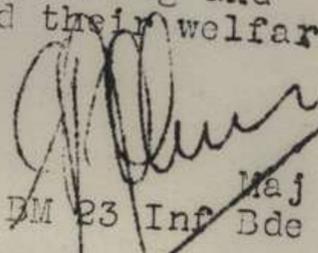
(b) Sunday, when no parades will be held.

Arms will be carried on all parades.

2. MAINTENANCE

Platoon commanders will be responsible for all maintenance of their platoons including the provision of clothing and cleanliness of lines, turnout of personnel and their welfare.

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Subject:

DISCIPLINE AND DRESS

HQ 23 Inf Bde

11/2/16/5209

1 GENERAL

It is essential that conduct, bearing and turnout receive the utmost attention of all officers, NCOs and other ranks in 23 Inf Bde HQ, as in any formation a HQ necessarily sets the example to all troops.

2 DRESS

At all times every officer or soldier will be correctly dressed, officers and NCOs will ensure by personal supervision and example that this instruction is followed both in and out of unit lines.

3 ORDER OF DRESS

(a) By Day

Hats
Trousers J G
Shirts J G
Boots
Gaiters (Aust pattern)
Belts (Aust pattern)

(b) By night

Hats or Berets (Officers and
WOs may wear
caps)
Trousers J G
Shirts J G (sleeves rolled
down)
Boots
Gaiters or anklets web
Belts (Aust pattern)

4 HATS AND BERETS

Hats will be worn with regulation dent, chin straps will be removed from hats and puggarees and colour patches worn. Berets may be worn at night.

5 SHIRTS

Shirts will only be removed by permission of an officer and then only for labour and sport, or during prescribed hours for sun bathing. Buttons will be done up at all times.

6 BOOTS

Boots will be clean and polished, the habit of wearing boots permanently devoid of polish will cease. Owing to the prevalence of hook worm boots or shoes will be worn at all times.

7 RIBBONS

Ribbon of decorations and service stars will be worn at all times and will be regarded as part of the dress of the individual, however they may be removed while carrying out fatigues

8 Torn or frayed clothing will NOT be worn.

9 SPORT

worn. As far as possible a neat and tidy sports attire will be worn. The following popular methods of dress are NOT approved.

(a) lap laps of towels or other materials.

(b) indiscriminately cut down trousers, these must only be manufactured under unit arrangements.

10 SHAVING

All ranks will shave each morning before 0645 hrs.

11 COMPLIMENTS

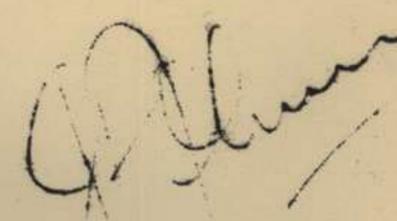
Compliments will be paid to all officers at all times.

12 MALARIA PRECAUTIONS

It has been obvious of late that personnel have been allowed to proceed to entertainments without malaria precautions being carried out. Throughout HQ 23 Inf Bde sleeves will be rolled down by evening meal and remain so during the hours of darkness.

13 Atebrin parade will be held daily at 0730 hrs.

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AGENDA

CONFERENCE - HQ 23 INF BDE

10 DEC 45

FAURO GARRISON

- | Subject | Notes |
|--|-------|
| 1. Composition of Bde group vide
23 Inf Bde Adm Instr 24/45 of
5 Dec | |
| 2. <u>GENERAL</u> | |
| (a) High standard of efficiency
to be achieved | |
| (b) Most possible comfortable
quarters for personnel | |
| 3. Set up of FAURO IS area | |
| 4. PRIORITY OF MOV of units on
WARNING ORDER QG1172 of 080805K
or Adm Instr 24/45 of 5 Dec | |
| 5. SHIPPING | |
| (a) Limitations in relation to target
date to be observed | |
| (b) Essential that target date
be observed | |
| (c) Need for accurate estimate of
unit stores ref WARNING ORDER
QG1172 of 080805K | |
| (d) Crating and marking | |
| (e) Maximum use of space
available on craft allotted to
units | |
| (f) Adequate escorts for
valuable cargoes | |

(g) Estimated 5000 tons of stores
excl unit stores to be shipped
each in Dec and Jan

6. VEHS

(a) Limited numbers to be taken
ref 23 Inf Bde QG1187 of 081415K

(b) Trailers as required but NOT
to exceed no of vehs

7. ADM

(a) Returns called for must be
prompt and accurate

(b) Units must be built to WE
particularly in specialists

(c) Orders in respect of
co-ordination, planning, mov,
shipping etc emanate from this
HQ

(d) No approach by unofficial
methods to outside units or
services. This HQ must be
informed of all problems.

(e) Acks of memos and sigs
must be executed promptly

8. DISCIPLINE

(a) Dress and bearing of troops
at FAURO IS

(b) Malaria discipline

(c) Security :

(i) Government property

(ii) Valuable Stores

(iii) Canteen Goods

(iv) Public monies

(d) No fraternisation or trading
with surrendered Japanese

9. Bde Staff

10. ULTIMATE AIM

A well planned and highly
efficient garrison

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23 INF BDE ADM INSTR NO. 25/45

PAIRO ISLAND GARRISON

GENERAL

1. This instruction sets out the availability of stores and installations for the development of PAIRO ISLAND GARRISON.

ENGINEER STORES

2. (a) Mechanical Equipment

- (i) 5 CME Wks has transferred to 23 Fd Coy (AIF) RAE
 - Auto patrol graders 12 ft blade 2
 - Tractors D6 with dozer blade and PCU 4
- (ii) 50% of the above plant is to be held in reserve except in case of emergency.

BUILDING MATERIALS

3. (a) 23 Fd Coy (AIF) RAE will be forwarded material as under and held in enr store dump

Iron Sheets corrugated	20	Tons
Cement (available 22 Dec 45)	25	Tons
Plywire	500	Yds
Wessian	2000	Yds
Bisal or equivalent	3000	Yds
Masonite (only to be issued on authority HQ 23 Inf Bde)	200	Sheets
Nails 4 in	1-1/4	Tons
6 in	3/4	Ton
2 in	1/4	Ton
Spring heads	1	Ton
Clouts	1/2	Ton

(b) The present policy of salvaging material from TORONIA and forwarding as available will continue.

(c) HQ Force Maint Area will allot to units materials as advised by CC 23 Fd Coy (AIF) RAE, for development as laid down in Appx C to 23 Inf Bde Adm Instr 24/45.

(d) All building materials will be given high priority for transit to PAIRO ISLAND.

REFRIGERATION

4. The following scale of refrigeration will be installed at PAIRO ISLAND

(a) Bulk refrigeration 10000 cu ft

Bulk refrigeration for PSD will be of two types

(i) 5000 cu ft panelled knock down US pattern electrically operated. This plant, less motors, will be shipped as soon as possible to PAIRO ISLAND for immediate installation so that as motors become available will be ready for operation.

(ii) 5000 cu ft knock down type ammonia operated

(b) Scaling

(i) Units	118 cu ft		Domestic	
	Authorised Holdings	Required to Complete	Authorised Holdings 5.2 or 5.5 cu ft	Required to Complete
HQ 23 Inf Bde	2	-	2	2
HQ Force Maint Area	1	1	2	2
7 Inf Bn	6	4	2	2
Papuan Inf Bn	2	1	2	2
17 Fd Amb	1	-	2	-
D Port Landing Craft Coy	1	1	2	2
<u>Totals</u>	13	7	12	10

(ii) Required refrigeration will be consigned to 23 Fd Coy (AIF) RAE and issued by 23 Fd Coy (AIF) RAE to units on above scale less present holdings as shown.

(c) A suitable scaling of spare parts will be forwarded to 23 Fd Coy (AIF) RAE.

(d) 5 CRE Wks is arranging installation, maintenance and operation of all refrigeration.

ELECTRICAL

5. The policy to be adopted will be to install a central power station supplying power at 415/240V and individual stations for dispersed areas.

6. (a) Allotment of Plant.

<u>Area</u>	<u>Plant</u>	<u>No.</u>
Central station	75 KW Diesel	2
HQ 7 Inf Bn	5 KVA Lister	1
7 Inf Bn Rifle Coys	25 KVA Ford	1
PIB	Existing set	1
Reserve sets	114 KVA Diesel	1
	25 KVA FORD	1
	5 KVA Lister	1

(b) Units as under will immediately submit requisitions to Ord.

7 Inf Bn 5 KVA Lister

23 Fd Coy (AIF) RAE 5 KVA Lister (for reserve)

(c) Remaining sets will be supplied as they become available.

- (d) Fittings will be forwarded in bulk to 23 Fd Coy (AIF) RAE and distributed during installation of plants.

MISCELLANEOUS INSTALLATIONS

7. Ice Cream Plant.

Ice cream plant will be forwarded in Jan 46 for installation in Force Maint Area.

8. Ice Factory

Ice factory will be forwarded for installation in Force Maint Area when cement becomes available.

9. Broadcasting Station.

The provision of an broadcasting station is under consideration.

10. Aerated Water Factory.

It is not considered a economical proposition to dismantle present plant and re-erect at FAURO ISLAND.

AMMUNITION SCALINGS

11. Approved scalings are attached as Appx A and will be forwarded in bulk during Jan 46.

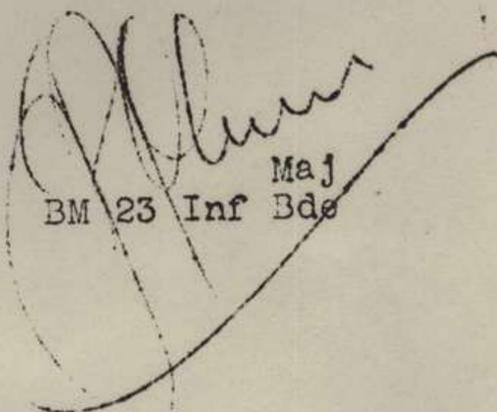
SHIPPING

12. Estimated tonnage for shipment, excluding movement of units each in Dec 45 and Jan 46 is approx 5000 tons, present indications show precarious position. Units must make full use of space allotted and confine stores to essential requirements.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

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AMMUNITION REQUIREMENTS - FAURO FORCE

(WET and one refill as res)

Serial	Unit	.380		303 Rifle		SMG		303 LMG		303 MMG		3" MOR		2" MOR		Gren 36m	
		WET	RES	WET	RES	WET	RES	WET	RES	WET	RES	WET	RES	WET	RES	WET	RES
1.	HQ 23 Inf Bde	324	324	54250	54250	11760	11760	1400	1400								
2.	23 Inf Ide Sig Sec	180	180	1575	1575	3200	3200									360	360
3.	34 Ry Wireless Sec	7	7	350	350			700	700								
4.	Cipher Sec	7	7	350	350												
5.	7 Inf Bn	1728	1728	58250	58250	101640	101640	28700	28700	12000	12000	528	528	720	720	2132	2132
6.	P.I.B	630	630	51730	51730	109200	109200	22400	22400							240	240
7.	17 Fd Amb	135	135	300	300	600	600										
8.	243 Sup Dep H	36	36	560	560	400	400	1500	1500								
9.	HQ 23 Fd Coy	28	28	3000	3000	2000	2000	1000	1000								
10.	2/108 LAD	7	7	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000	1000								
11.	D Port Ldg Draft Coy	54	54	10250	10250	1200	1200										
12.	103 Bde Ord Fd Rk	18	18	425	425	800	800	700	700	24000	24000	(Signal Cart 576 576) x					
13.	14 Ind Bde Pro Pl	576	576			1200	1200										
14.	23 Bde Postal Sec			100	100												
15.	40 Tpt Pl			350	350	600	600										
16.	Cash Office	28	28	100	100												
17.	LAC3			200	200												
18.	Mobile Cinema			100	100												
TOTALS		3758	3758	182890	182890	233600	233600	67400	67400	36000	36000	528	528	720	720	2732	2732
GRAND TOTALS		7516		365780		477200		134800		72000		1056		1440		5464	

x Cart Sig - 1142

NOTE : Ammunition for training, recreation and guard duties will become available from present WET holdings when above scale arrives at FAURO ISLAND.

ROUTINE ORDERS

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Bre ches will submit to 'A' Office by 1800 hrs each
SUNDAY all notices to be promulgated in Routine Orders Part I.

Matters for Camp Routine Orders will NOT be included

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WAR DIARY

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Subject: REST DAYS : CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR PERIOD
1945/1946

HQ 23 Inf Bde
A1/28/5259

HQ AMF 153706 is subtended for information

1. Subject to service requirements the following days will be observed as additional rest days at the discretion of Formation etc., commanders.

Tuesday	25th December (Christmas Day)
Wednesday	26th December (Boxing Day)
Thursday	27th December
Friday	28th December
Monday	31st December
Tuesday	1st January (New Years Day).

2. Staffs on duty on Christmas Day and New Years Day will be the minimum normally provided for Sundays. A skeleton staff will be maintained on the other rest days of such strength as will enable the unit or headquarters to function.

3. Personnel retained on duty on any days during the above period may be permitted to take rest days in lieu between Monday 24th December 1945 and Saturday 5th January, 1946 inclusive.

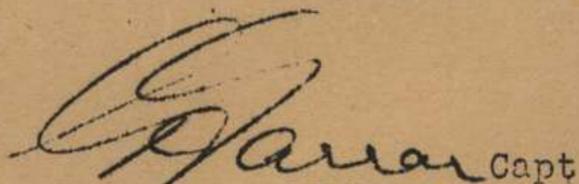
4. Members who are granted recreation leave on Monday 24th December or on Saturday 29th December will be debited with one day's leave in respect of each day, notwithstanding the fact that in some establishments Saturday afternoon may normally be granted as a half day of local leave. If a member is granted recreation leave on both of these days, he will be debited with two days leave. To enable this to be done the provisions of paras 98 and 99 of GRO A598/43 may be waived.

5. So that full advantage may be taken of the grant of the additional rest days referred to in para 1 above, the provisions of para 146 and sub paras (d) and (e) of para 143A of GRO A598/43 (except the accumulation and carry forward of rest days), may be waived.

6. Attention is directed to para 145 of the GRO regarding subsistence allowance, to paras 108(a) and 109 of the GRO regarding free travel, and to para 143 regarding non-accumulation of rest days.

SIGNED IN THE FIELD

12 Dec 45.


Capt
SG 23 Inf Bde

DISTRIBUTION : List B

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Subject: DISTRIBUTION LISTS

HQ 23 Inf Bde

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20 Dec 45

1. Herewith 23 Inf Bde Distribution Lists as at 20 Dec 45.
2. All previous Distribution Lists are cancelled.

[Handwritten Signature]
 Maj
 BM 23 Inf Bde

Serial	Fmn/Units	A	B	C
1	HQ 3 Div	-	1	1
2	4 Base Sub Area	-	1	110
3	Det Directorate PR	-	-	1
4	46 AL Sec	-	-	1
5	No 4 Mil History Sec Fd Team	-	-	1
6	HQ RAE 3 Div	-	1	1
7	HQ 23 Fd Coy	-	1	1
8	Sigs 3 Div	-	1	9
9	23 Inf Bde Sig Sec	-	1	1
10	Det 34 Wireless Sec	-	1	1
11	7 Inf Bn	-	1	6
12	8 Inf Bn	-	1	6
13	27 Inf Bn	-	1	6
14	28 Pl G Coy 2/1 Gd Regt	-	-	1
15	Papuan Inf Bn	-	1	6
16	Det ATIS	-	-	1
17	HQ Comd 3 Div AASC	-	1	3
18	243 Sup Dep Pl	-	-	1
19	244 Sup Dep Pl	-	-	1
20	Det 13 Fd Baking Coy	-	-	1
21	40 Tpt Pl	-	-	1
22	Det 13 Small Ships Coy	-	-	1
23	Det 1 Water Amb Convoy	-	-	1
24	17 Fd Amb	-	1	4
25	HQ 63 Dental Unit	-	1	4
26	109 Bde Ord Fd Pk	-	-	1
27	126 Bde Ord Fd Pk	-	-	1
28	104 Bde Wksp	-	-	1
29	109 Bde Wksp	-	-	1
30	126 Bde Wksp	-	-	1
31	2/108 LAD	-	-	1
32	202 LAD	-	-	1
33	296 LAD	-	-	1
34	52 Port Ldg Craft Coy	-	-	1
35	52 Port Ldg Craft Coy	-	-	1
36	3 Div Fd Cash Office	-	-	1
37	3 Div Postal Unit	-	-	1
38	23 Bde Postal Sec	-	-	1
39	29 Bde Postal Sec	-	-	1
40	3 Div Pro Coy	-	-	1

Serial	Fmn/Units	A	B	C
41	14 Indep Pro Pl	-	-	1
42	3 Div Sal Unit	-	-	1
43	Visitors & Observors Sec	-	-	1
44	Det NG AAC5	-	-	1
45	No 2 Mob Trg LHQ School of Mech	-	-	1
46	HQ Force Maint Area (Fauro)	-	1	1
47				
48				
49				
50				
51				
52				
53				
54				
55				
56				
57				
58				
59				
60				
61	Comd	1	1	1
62	BM	1	1	1
63	SC	1	1	1
64	SC (Maint)	1	1	1
65	SC (Maint - FAURO)	1	1	1
66	SC (Mov)	1	1	1
67	SC (Mov - FAURO)	1	1	1
68	Mil Sec	1	1	1
69	BASCO	1	1	1
70	OO	1	1	1
71	BOO	1	1	1
72	AEME	1	1	1
73	Legal	1	1	1
74	War Crimes Com	1	1	1
75	Educ	1	1	1
76	Amen	1	1	1
77	Hyg	1	1	1
78	Camp	1	1	1
79	War Diary	2	2	2
80	File	2	2	2
<u>Totals</u>		22	37	213

Distribution

List "A"

Subject : DUTY OFFICER

HQ 23 Inf Bde
20 Dec 45

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GENERAL

1. An Orderly Officer will mount duty at 1800 hrs each evening for a 24 hour tour of duty. A roster will be maintained by BM(L) and he only will authorise any change of duty.
2. All officers of HQ 23 Inf Bde and attached officers will be available for duty excepting BM and Bde Sig Officer.
3. Duty officer will not leave the HQ area without prior approval of the BM.

HOURS OF DUTY

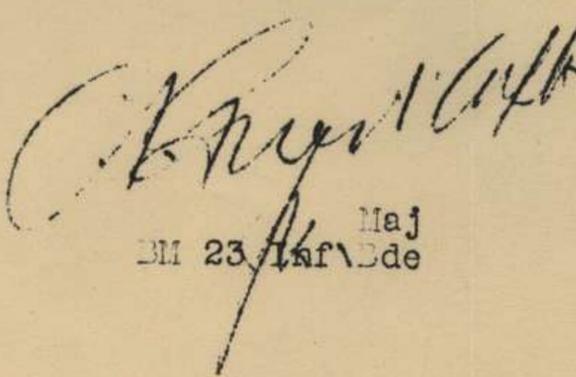
4. (a) The duty officer will be available in the Bde Int Office at the following hours :

1800	to	0700 hrs
1115	to	1230 hrs (next day)
1530	to	1300 hrs (next day)
- (b) Next for duty officer will relieve the duty officer for meals at 0700, 1145 and 1730 hrs.

DUTIES

5. Carry out daily inspection of camp at 0900 hrs accompanied by Camp Comd and CSM and order any necessary duties.
6. Inspect picquets at least three times at irregular intervals during night.

Picquets are mounted at Transport Lines.
7. Inspect each meal of ORs.
8. Check atebrin roll books at 0855 hrs to ensure all ranks have taken their atebrin under officer supervision.
9. Make rounds at 1745 hrs to ensure mosquito nets are in position and all troops are observing malaria precautions.
10. Render Orderly Officer's Report to BM at 1800 hrs each night on forms available at Orderly Room.


Maj
BM 23 Inf Bde

Distribution

All Officers
Officers Mess
CSM
File

DUTY OFFICERS ROSTER

To mount duty at
1800 hrs

Dec	20	Lt	BROWN
	21	Lt	WRIGHT
	22	Lt	HOPE
	23	Capt	O'SHEA
	24	Capt	SIMONS
	25	Lt	COUSENS
	26	Lt	BERRY
	27	Capt	CAMPBELL
	28	Capt	GUEST
	29	Capt	COCHRANE
	30	Capt	MOKEW
	31	Capt	EWING
Jan	1	Lt	QUINN
	2	Capt	TRETT
	3	Capt	WOOD
	4	Capt	STEPHENS
	5	Capt	O'DONNELL
	6	Lt	SCOTT
	7	Capt	TREVENEN

War Diary

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Subject : PROJECTED ORDER OF BATTLE

HQ 23 Inf Bde

21 Dec 45

G 21/515

1. The projected Order of Battle for FAURO ISLAND and TOROKINA Base are attached as Appendices 'A' and 'B' respectively.
2. Appendix 'C' attached is list of Units now redundant following adoption of reduced Order of Battle.

C. R. G. G. G.
Maj
HQ 23 Inf Bde

Distribution :

List 'B'

PROJECTED ORDER OF BATTLE
AS AT 31 DEC 45

FIELD UNITS

PAURO ISLAND

Ser	Arm	Unit	PE WE		Remarks
			Pers	Vehs	
1.	<u>HQ and</u> <u>HQ UNITS</u>	HQ 23 Inf Bde	85	.	
2.		Det 3 HC Gp	8		Gp LAE
3.	<u>ENGRS</u>	HQ 23 Pd Coy plus increment	73	.	HQ only raised. Increment of 20 other ranks
4.	<u>SIGS</u>	23 Inf Bde Sig Sec (AIF)	49		
5.		Det 34 Wireless Sec (Ty)	3	.	Sec NEW BRITAIN
6.		Det One Cipher Sec (Type F)	2		Sec RAUVAL
7.	<u>INF</u>	7 Inf Bn (AIF)	835	.	
8.		PAPUAN Inf Bn	84		European pers only
9.	<u>INT</u>	Det ATIS (one unit)	2	.	
10.	<u>S T</u>	% 40 Tpt Pl	18		Raised to one sec only
11.		243 Sup Dep Pl (AIF)	33	.	
12.		% 11 Pd Baking Pl	16	.	Raised to one sec only
13.	<u>TN</u>	52 Port Ldg Craft Coy	119		(Type ALC 40)
14.		4 Water Amb Sec AA Tn C (Type A)	11		One 30' EDML. AANC pers NOT raised.
15.	<u>MED</u>	2 Pd Amb (AIF) (less two coys)	107		Plus surgical team Coys each RAUVAL & WEWAK
16.		19 Malaria Control Unit (Type A) (less det)	16		Det WEWAK
17.	<u>DENTAL</u>	One Sec 77 Dental Unit	5		Unit NEW BRITAIN Pd
18.	<u>ORD</u>	Det 4 Ord Smallcraft Pk	10		Pk RAUVAL
19.	<u>EE</u>	DOUGAINVILLE Area Wksp	63		Comprises Area Wksp Sec (Type A), Water- craft Wksp Sec (Type A)
20.	<u>PAY</u>	Det 11 Div Pd Cash Office	3		Unit NEW BRITAIN
21.	<u>POSTS</u>	Det % 7 Base Postal Unit	4		Unit LAE
22.	<u>PRO</u>	Det 11 Div Pro Coy	20		Unit NEW BRITAIN Pd
23.	<u>CANTS</u>	Det AA Canteens Service	15		
24.	<u>AMEN</u>	Det AA Amenities Service	11		Incl 9 AL Broadcasting Station
25.		Det 1 Cinema Unit	6		Mob Cinemas SM152 NJ129 ✓
26.	<u>MISC</u>	Det HQ AMP Pool AA Edn Service	6	.	
		Det % 23 L of C Sal Sec	5		Sec LAE
<u>TOTAL</u>			1614		

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Appendix 'B' to 23 Inf Bde
G21/515 of 21 Dec 45

PROJECTED ORDER OF BATTLE

FIRST ARMY BASE UNITS

TOROKINA

Ser	Arm	Unit	TS	WE	
			Pers	Vehs	
1.	<u>HQ and</u> <u>HQ UNITS</u>	% 4 Base Sub Area	100		Cmd to be Col. To be reduced progressively as base evac.
2.		Det 8 MC Gp	3		Gp LAE
3.	<u>SIGS</u>	Det 34 Wireless Sec (Hy)	9		Sec NEW BRITAIN
4.		Det 19 Op Sec	13	}	Secs LAE
5.		Det 15 Line Sec	8		
6.		Det one Cipher Sec (Type F)	2		Sec REPAUL
7.	<u>TN</u>	53 Port Ldg Craft Coy	110		(Type ALC 40)
8.	<u>GRAVES</u>	19 War Graves Unit (AIF)	9		
		Det War Graves Maint Unit	2		Unit LAE

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Appendix 'C' to 23 Inf Bde
G21/515 of 21 Dec 45

EXT ACTS FROM FIRST ARMY APPX 'A' PART 1 G/4207/SD of 13 DEC 45

UNITS NOW REDUNDANT FOLLOWING ADOPTION REDUCED PROJECTED ORDER OF BATTLE

<u>Serial</u>	<u>Arm or Service</u>	<u>Unit</u>
		<u>FIRST ARMY TROOPS</u>
7.	<u>TRANSPORTATION</u>	6 Port Op Coy
10.	<u>ORDNANCE</u>	16 AOD
12.		3 RSD
		<u>3 DIV</u>
20.	<u>ENGINEERS</u>	23 Pd Coy less HQ (HQ 23 Pd Coy for BMTRO)
21.		5 CRE (Wks)
22.		7 A Tps Coy
23.		6 Mech Eqpt Spare Parts Sec
24.	<u>SIGNALS</u>	2 Line Maint Sec
25.	<u>INFANTRY</u>	8 Inf Bn
26.		27 Inf Bn
27.		28 Pl 'G' Coy 2/1 Gd Regt
28.	<u>INTELLIGENCE</u>	P PS Sec
29.	<u>SUPPLY & TRANSPORT</u>	HQ 133 GT Coy
30.		68 Tpt Pl
31.		69 Tpt Pl
32.		70 Tpt Pl
33.		71 Tpt Pl
34.		133 Whsp Pl
35.		HQ 30 Adv Sup Dep
36.		45 Sup Dep Pl
37.		121 Sup Dep Pl
38.		226 Sup Dep Pl
39.		237 Sup Dep Pl
40.		244 Sup Dep Pl
41.		1 Marine Food Sup Pl
42.		6 Port Det AASC
43.		One Sec 12 Air Maint Pl
44.		6 Indep Farm Pl

Serial	Arm or Service	Unit
45.	<u>TRANSPORTATION</u>	7 Water Amb Sec (Type B)
46.		12 Water Amb Sec (Type C)
47.		15 Water Amb Sec (Type C)
48.	<u>MEDICAL</u>	17 Ad Amb
49.		109 CCS
50.	<u>DENTAL</u>	63 Dental Unit (less three secs)
51.	<u>ORDNANCE</u>	109 Bde Ord Ad Pk
52.		2/6 Mob Laundry & Fwd Deqn Unit
53.	<u>EME</u>	109 Bde Wksp
54.		250 LAD
55.		2/103 LAD
56.		296 LAD
57.		212 LAD
58.	<u>PAY</u>	82 Dep Cash Office
59.	<u>POSTAL</u>	23 Inf Bde Postal Sec
60.	<u>PRO</u>	2 Corps Pro Coy
61.		14 Indep Pro Pl
62.	<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>	5 Wks Coy
63.		29 AA Canteens Service Offrs Club (Type F)
64.		31 AA Canteens Service OR Club (Type L)
<u>11 DIV</u>		
70.	<u>ENGINEERS</u>	2/2 Forestry Coy
80.	<u>S T</u>	62 Tpt Pl
81.		63 Tpt Pl
92.	<u>MEDICAL</u>	2/3 Con Depot

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Subject : TROOP MOVEMENT PRIORITY LIST

HQ 23 Inf Bde
G36/534

3 Div
4 Base Sub Area
HQ RAE 3 Div
7 Ed Coy
Sigs 3 Div
27 Line Sec
2 Line Maint Sec
38 Op Sec
39 Wireless Sec
44 Wireless Sec
38 Cipher Sec
8 Inf Bn
27 Inf Bn
28 Pl 'B' Coy 2/1 Gd Regt
P FS Sec
HQ Comd 3 Div AASC
HQ 152 GT Coy
152 Wasp Pl
40 Tpt Pl
244 Sup Depot Pl

17 Ed Bde
63 Dental Unit
109 Bde Ord Ed Pk
128 Bde Ord Ed Pk
104 Bde Wasp
109 Bde Wasp
2/108 LAD
202 LAD
3 Div Cash Office
3 Div Postal Unit
29 Inf Bde Postal Sec
29 Inf Bde Postal Sec
3 Div Pro Coy
1. Indep Pro Pl
3 Div Sal Unit
44 Mob Cinema
78 Mob Cinema
79 Mob Cinema
95 Mob Cinema
2 A Mob Trg LHQ School of Mech

GENERAL

1. 3 Div G/36/534 of 12 Nov 45 is cancelled

APPLICATION

2. Troop movement priority list, attached as Appendix 'A' states the relative priority of units or detachments declared redundant by First Army and constitute WARNING ORDERS for their movement. No further instructions will be issued other than by amendments.

MOVEMENT DETAILS

3. Addressees will advise immediately, movement details for each unit etc, in accordance with GRC 318/43 (as amended) paragraph 2 (a), (b) to :

23 Inf Bde
MOVEMENTS TORCHINA

RETURN OF ORDNANCE AND ENGINEER STORES

4. (a) Subject to instructions given in specific movement orders, redundant units will return to AUSTRALIA for disbandment with

Personal Arms
Serviceable unit Equipment
Mechanical transport (if shipping space is available)
Ammunition sufficient for security purposes only.

- (b) Prior to movement the following will be returned as set out hereunder.

Camp and Accommodation stores, as listed in GAO 102/45
Tents half shelter
Hydro burners
Ammunition, other than that required for security purposes
Scale A and B Engineer Stores and Engineer Refrigerators.

(c) Mechanical equipment and plant which has been issued through RE or Ord channels will be returned by units to their Deps or Mech Eqpt Bk Coys under service arrangements. Service instructions for the disposal of the equipment and for documentation have been issued by CE and DEOS First Army respectively vide First Army RE 5417 of 6 Nov 45, RE 5771 of 30 Nov 45 and OS 11404 of 1 Dec 45.

(d) Attention is drawn to 3 Div "Q" Circular No 35/45 with addendum No 1 with regard to return of Engineer Stores and disposal of buildings and fittings in vacated camp sites.

5. All ammunition, other than that required for security purposes will be returned to 13 LAD on G1033 and/or M101. Units will immediately prepare G1033s in quadruplicate for complete boxes, and M101s for fractional boxes, and submit same to 20 23 Inf Bde or DEOS 4 Base Sub Area as applicable for approval.

CO or DEOS after approval will return these copies to the unit CE, who will contact 13 LAD and arrange return.

CAMP AND ACCOMMODATION STORES

6. Camp and Accommodation Stores, tents and hydro burners will be disposed of in the following manner:-

(a) G1033s will be prepared in quadruplicate and submitted to 20 23 Inf Bde or DEOS 4 Base Sub Area for approval. Three copies will then be returned to the unit. Separate G1033s are required for unserviceable and repairable stores, to be made out to 20 23 of C Salvage and serviceable stores to be made out to 3 RE.

(b) Preparation of Equipment. As Stores become available for return each item will be cleaned and/or tropic treated and, as far as possible, sorted into the following categories:-

- (i) Serviceable
- (ii) Repairable
- (iii) Unserviceable

(c) Check by RE. In completion of above action, units will contact 3 RE who will arrange for RE personnel to visit the unit to check stores and acquit vouchers for the serviceable stores.

(d) Disposal. On completion of check and acquittal of G1033s, the stores will be disposed of as follows:-

- (i) Serviceable stores to 16 AOB
- (ii) Unserviceable and repairable stores direct to 20 23 of C Sal.

(e) Packing and Transport. Units will be required to pack serviceable stores in accordance with First Army Standing Orders chapter 26, paragraph 11 (a) and supply transport to 16 AOB and in the case of unserviceable and repairable stores to 20 23 of C Sal.

(f) Engineer stores will be disposed of as directed separately.

WET EQUIPMENT

7. In order that unit equipment can be prepared for indefinite storage on the mainland, units will ensure such equipment is made serviceable, and given preservative treatment before being packed for movement.

Technical advice can be obtained from Ord and AEME representatives in regard to the best methods of packing and treating stores. Particular attention will be paid to the following types of equipment

- | | |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| Automatic weapons | All optical instruments |
| Mortars | Compasses and watches |
| Artillery weapons and | Wireless sets and Signal |
| Associated stores | Equipment generating sets |

VEHICLES

8. The attention of units is directed to 'Standing Orders for Movement' Section XIV, regarding the preparation of mechanical vehicles for movement.

MATERIALS FOR TROPIC TREATMENT

9. Units will submit indants immediately to OO 23 Inf Bde or DADCS 4 Base Sub Area for lubricants, oils, greases and corrosion preventatives requirements.

UNSERVICEABLE WET STORES

10. Where units are in doubt as to the classification of technical stores, MT equipment, or vehicles, an AEME officer from the appropriate workshop or LAD will sentence on request.

SURPLUS RATIONS AND PCL

11. Surplus rations and PCL will be returned to DID

MATERIALS FOR CRATING STORES FOR MOVEMENT

12. Units on priority list for movement to AUSTRALIA will submit S18s for requirements of crating materials to this Headquarters by 241200Z. Separate S18s will be submitted for timber.

S18s will include requirements for crating both stores for return to RSD and stores for movement to AUSTRALIA with unit. Strictest economy will be observed in submission of S18s and salvage timber will be used wherever possible.

The following sizes only of timber and nails are available :

- | | |
|--------|--------------|
| Timber | (12" x 1" |
| | (4" x 1 1/2" |
| Nails | 2" x 3" |

Units will be supplied in priority as per Appendix 'A' attached

Units will contact 'C' Branch HQ, 23 Inf Bde for advice when requirements may be available.

No further S18s for crating purposes will be accepted after above S18s have been submitted.

UNIT CADRES

13. Those units as shown in appendix 'A' have not as yet done so they will submit unit cadres to this HQ for approval.

14. Cadres should be kept to an efficient minimum having regard to the fact that practically all administration will be completed before movement and that units will not be required to be self-supporting after leaving this area.

15. The following are the only low priority personnel for whom approval may be granted for inclusion on unit cadres.

(a) Adjut, Cpl, OR Sgt, RQMS or CQMS essential.

(b) Personnel who have not had leave for 12 months as at 31 Dec.

STATE OF ENLISTMENT

16. Units will advise this HQ of state of enlistment of unit. Where no state identity exists, of units formed in New Guinea etc, this will be indicated.

STRENGTH FOR MOVEMENT

17. All units will submit immediately a return showing total strength available for movement. This will include.

(a) High priority unit personnel with those transferred from other units.

(b) Low priority personnel approved for unit cadre.

18. Approval of personnel vide para (b) above if in categories shown in para 15 may be anticipated when submitting this return.

19. SC (Demob) will be immediately advised by phone (23 27) of all alterations to the strength for movement and such alterations will be confirmed by signal.

SIGNED IN THE FIELD

22 Dec 45.

C. R. Green
23 Dec 45

Copies to :

Inf
Cpl
Med
Ord
AEC
Edn
Amen

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Appendix 'A' to 23 Inf Bde
G36/534 of 22 Dec 45

TROOP MOVEMENT - PRIORITY LIST

BOUGAINVILLE - AUSTRALIA

PRIORITY	UNIT	PRESENT COMD	REMARKS
1.	16 Det 1 Entertainment Unit	4 BSA	-
2.	2A Mob Team with det 1B Mob Team LHQ School of Mech	FA/23Bde	
3.	One Armoury Wksp Sec, one veh recovery sec, one radar wksp sec of 12 Adv Wksp.	4 BSA	Redundant Unit
4	104 Bde Wksp	23 Bde	" "
5	126 Bde Ord Fd Pk	"	" "
6	29 Inf Bde Postal Sec	"	" "
7	HQ RAE 3 Div	"	" "
8	7 Fd Coy	"	" "
9	38 Cipher Sec	"	" "
10	44 Wireless Sec (Hy)	"	" "
11	HQ Comd 3 Div AASC	"	" "
12	HQ 152 GT Coy	"	" "
13.	152 Wksp Pl	"	" "
14	HQ 3 Div & 202 LAD	"	" "
15	58 Corps Fd Pk Coy & 317 LAD	4 BSA	" "
16	136 Sup Dep Pl	"	" "
17	146 Sup Dep Pl	"	" "
18	HQ 13 Fd Baking Pl	"	" "
19	12 Fd Baking Pl	"	" "
20	Three secs 12 Air Maint Pl	4 BSA	" "
21	3 Div Cash Office	23 Bde	" "
22	3 Div Postal Unit	"	" "
23	3 Div Pro Coy	"	" "
24	3 Div Sal Unit	"	" "
25	HQ 1 Water Tpt Gp	FA/4BSA	" "
26	1 Water Tpt Gp Sig Sec	1 WTC	" "
27	1 Pigeon Sec	"	" "

PRIORITY	UNIT	PRESENT COMD	REMARKS
28	8 Inf Bn	23 Bde	Redundant Unit
29	27 Inf Bn	"	" "
30	28 Pl 'G' Coy 2/1 Gd Regt	"	" "
31	23 Fd Coy (less HQ)	4 BSA	" "
32	244 Sup Dep Pl	23 Bde	" "
33	40 Tpt Pl (less one sec)	"	Ditto-after re-org
34	17 Fd Amb	"	Ditto - HC & increments remain until relieved by 2 Fd Amb (less two coys)
35	Remainder 2/1 Gen Hosp	4 BSA	
36	296 LAD	"	Redundant Unit
	5 CRE Wks	"	" "
	7 A Tps Coy	"	" "
	6 Mech Eqpt Spare Parts Sec	"	" "
	Sigs 3 Div	23 Bde	" "
	27 Line Sec	"	" "
	2 Line Maint Sec	"	" "
	38 Op Sec	"	" "
	39 Wireless Sec (Hy)	"	" "
	P FS Sec	"	" "
	63 Dental Unit (less three secs)	"	" "
	HQ 30 Adv Sup Dep Coy	4 BSA	" "
	45 Sup Dep Pl	"	" "
	121 Sup Dep Pl	"	" "
	226 Sup Dep Pl	"	" "
	237 Sup Dep Pl	"	" "
	1 Marine Food Sup Pl	"	" "
	6 Port Det AASC	"	" "
	6 Indep Farm Pl	"	" "
	HQ 133 GT Coy	"	" "
	68 Tpt Pl	"	" "
	69 Tpt Pl	"	" "

PRIORITY	UNIT	PRESENT COND	REMARKS
	70 Tpt Pl	4 BSA	Redundant Unit
	71 Tpt Pl	"	" "
	133 Wksp Pl	"	" "
	6 Port Op Coy	FA/4BSA	" "
	7 Water Amb Sec (Type B)	"	" "
	12 Water Amb Sec (Type C)	"	" "
	15 Water Amb Sec (Type C)	"	" "
	109 CCS	23 Bde	" "
	2/6 Mob Laundry & Fwd Decon Unit	4 BSA	" "
	16 LOD	FA/4BSA	" "
	3 RSD	"	" "
	8 Ord Veh Pk	"	" "
	13 AAD	"	" "
	109 Bde Ord Fd Pk	23 Bde	" "
	212 LAD	4 BSA	" "
	250 LAD	"	" "
	109 Bde Wksp	23 Bde	" "
	2/108 LAD	"	" "
	82 Dep Cash Office	4 BSA	" "
	83 Dep Cash Office	"	" "
	23 Inf Bde Postal Sec	23 Bde	" "
	2 Corps Pro Coy	4 BSA	" "
	14 Indep Pro Pl	23 Bde	" "
	10 L of C Stationery Dep	4 BSA	" "
	5 Mts Coy	"	Litto - but may return AUST not redundant
	31 AACCS CR Club	"	Redundant Unit
	11 Mob Cinema	"	" "
	44 Mob Cinema	23 Bde	" "
	78 Mob Cinema	"	" "
	79 Mob Cinema	"	" "
	84 Mob Cinema	4 BSA	" "
	86 Mob Cinema	"	" "

PRIORITY	UNIT	PRESENT COMD	REMARKS
	95 Mob Cinema	23 Bde	Redundant Unit.
	128 Mob Cinema	4 BSA	" "
	129 Mob Cinema	"	" "
	131 Mob Cinema	"	" "

Subject: WAR SOUVENIRS

HQ 23 Inf Bde

G 16/8

1. Large quantities of Jap rifles and other equipment NOT authorised as war souvenirs under para 29 GRO 209/45 are held in the mainland bearing nominated addressees but in each case sender NOT indicated. These items contravening the GRO will be confiscated.
2. Despatch of such items as war souvenirs through official channels other than AA Postal Service also contravenes para 31 of GRO 209/45. Items held on mainland coming within category of para 31 will NOT be confiscated but forwarded to addresses.
3. As from this date ALL war souvenirs despatched through official channels other than AA Postal Service will be confiscated.
4. All troops will be notified of the provisions of GRO 209/45 in respect to souvenirs and trophies of war particularly regarding items such as rifles, which personnel are NOT permitted to possess.

SIGNED IN THE FIELD

23 Dec 45.

Rampbell

Capt
IO 23 Inf Bde

Distribution

List "C"

F 16

Subject: DISTRIBUTION LISTS

HQ 23 Inf Bde

29 Dec 45

1. Herewith 23 Inf Bde Distribution Lists as at 29 Dec 45.
2. Distribution Lists issued 20 Dec 45 are cancelled.

C. J. [Signature]
 Maj
 BN 23 Inf Bde

Serial	Fmn/Units	A	B	C	D
1	4 Base Sub Area	-	1	92	-
2	46 AL Sec	-	-	1	-
3	HQ 23 Fd Coy	-	1	1	-
4	23 Inf Bde Sig Sec	-	1	1	-
5	Det 34 Wireless Sec	-	1	1	-
6	7 Inf Bn	-	1	6	1
7	8 Inf Bn	-	1	6	-
8	Papuan Inf Bn	-	1	6	-
9	Det ATIS	-	-	1	-
10	Det 13 Fd Baking Coy	-	-	1	-
11	Sec 40 Tpt Pl	-	-	1	-
12	Det 13 Small Ships Coy	-	-	1	-
13	Det 1 Water Amb Convoy	-	-	1	-
14	17 Fd Amb	-	1	4	-
15	109 Bde Crd Fd Pk	-	-	1	-
16	109 Bde Wksp	-	-	1	-
17	126 Bde Wksp	-	-	1	-
18	2/108 LAD	-	-	1	-
19	52 Port Ldg Craft Coy	-	-	1	-
20	23 Bde Postal Sec	-	-	1	-
21	29 Bde Postal Sec	-	-	1	-
22	14 Indep Pro Pl	-	-	1	-
23	Visitors & Observers Sec	-	-	1	-
24	Det NG AACCS	-	-	1	-
25	No 2 Mob Trg LHQ School of Mech	-	-	1	-
26	HQ Force Maint Area	-	1	1	6
27					
28					
29					
30					
31					
32					
33					
34					
35					

36	Comd	1	1	1	1
37	BM	1	1	1	1
38	SC	1	1	1	1
39	SC (Maint)	1	1	1	1
40	SC (Maint - FAURO)	1	1	1	1
41	SC (Mov)	1	1	1	1
42	SC (Mov - FAURO)	1	1	1	1
43	Mil Sec	1	1	1	1
44	BASCO	1	1	1	1
45	GO	1	1	1	1
46	EOO	1	1	1	1
47	LEMT	1	1	1	1
48	Legal	1	1	1	1
49	War Crimes Com	1	1	1	1
50	Edm	1	1	1	1
51	Amen	1	1	1	1
52	Hye	1	1	1	1
53	Camp	1	1	1	1
54	War Dairy	2	2	2	2
55	File	2	2	2	2

Totals	22	31	157	29
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Distribution

List "A"

MESSAGE FORM

Originator

Date - T.O.O.

From

23 INF BDE

201100K

For Action

To

DISTRIBUTION LIST 'C'

AG9234 unclassified (.) first army AG 19349 of 181630K approves
all personnel with release point below 151 who have NOT had leave
during the period of 2 years ending 31 dec 45 to be despatched
on 24 days leave during jan 1946 (.) return required to reach this
HQ by 241200K showing number of personnel in above category

This message may be sent as written

PRIORITY

S.L.S.

Carthra
capt

MESSAGE FORM

Originator

Date - T.O.O.

FROM

23 INF BDE

201430K

For Action

TO

DISTRIBUTION LIST 'B'

----- Copy - Supervisor of Army Catering 4 Base Sub Area

AG9272 unclassified (.) first army AG19260 advises general shortage AACC personnel causing considerable concern (.) efforts will be made train suitable personnel by unit WO caterers and NCO cooks thereby qualifyin personnel for TG cooks vide GRO 753/43 (.) addressees will submit report on action taken hereunder to 23 inf bde by 10 jan 46

To be sent as written

PRIORITY

S.D.S.

W. H. G. ...
6/1/46

~~MESSAGE FOR~~

Originator

Date- T.O.O.

FROM

23 INF BDE

21/500 K

For Action

TO

DISTRIBUTION LIST 'B'

Copy - Supervisor Army Catering

AG9307 unclassified (.) units will submit a return to supervisor army catering copy to this hq showing all AACC personnel on strength with the date of last recreational leave and accumulated leave as per AAB 83 (.) return required by 271800K (.) nil returns where applicable.

To be sent as written

PRIORITY

S.D.S.

W. Cochran

CHURCH PARADES : CHRISTMAS

No.2 LESS HUT

Chaplain: PILKINGTON - 8 Inf Bn (CA)
 23 Dec 45 : SUNDAY - 0900K - General Service followed by Holy Communion (CE)

Chaplain: RAWLINS (PD)
 25 Dec 45 : TUESDAY- 1000K Xmas Day - General Service Communion at conclusion.

CHRISTMAS WEEK END

8 Inf Bn Chapel
Sunday Dec 23rd.

27 Inf Bn Chapel
Sunday 23rd Dec.

0730 hrs Holy Communion C of E
0800 hrs General Service

0800 hrs Gen Service
0830 hrs Holy Communion (PD)

Christmas Day.

11800 hrs United Long Service
RC Mass

0630 hrs Holy Communion C of E
0800 hrs General Service
0840 hrs Holy Communion C of E

0630 hrs
CHRISTMAS DAY Dec 25th

Wednesday Dec 26th St. STEPHENS Day.

0830 hrs Gen Service
0900 hrs Holy Communion (PD)

0730 hrs Holy Communion C of E

MESSAGE FORM

Originator

Date T.O.O.

FROM: 23 Inf Bde

3/300K

For Action

TO: DISTRIBUTION LIST 'B'

AG9367 unclassified (.) cross postings of AACC personnel will NOT
 be effected without prior approval catering supervisor Lt L H A
 JONES 4 base sub area (.) redundant units listed for mov to mainland
 will include ALL high priority pooks for mov

This message may be sent as WRITTEN.

PRIORITY

S.D.S.

[Handwritten signature]
Capt

Subject: REDUNDANT UNITS -- DISPOSAL LOW PRIORITY
PERSONNEL

HQ 23 Inf Bde

Ref A4/30B

All units declared redundant vide 23 Inf Bde G36/534 of 22 Dec 45 when warned for movement on a specified vessel, will dispose of low priority personnel under 160 points (excluding officer cadre) as follows:-

(a) OFFICERS

Prior to move as a redundant unit this HQ will be informed of

- (a) All officers on strength attached or detached who are below release point level
- (b) All officers of the undermentioned arms or services for whom staff approval has not been given for return to mainland:

PIF
RAE
AnChd
An Tn C
AANC
ANDC
ANME
ANCC
ANLC
An Pro C
ANNS
War Graves Serv
An Educ Serv
An Amen Serv
An Postal Serv
An Canteens Serv
Philanthropic Repts
Officers of rank Lt-col or higher.

If advice as to disposal or attachment of these officers is not received prior to move of unit all such officers will be marched in on attachment to 8 Inf Bn for holding pending reposting and this HQ advised accordingly.

Requests for temporary attachment of officers for duty pending reposting may be submitted.

Officers approved by this HQ as unit Cadre will move with unit irrespective of arm or service or priority points.

(b) OTHER PERSONNEL

- (1) Irrespective of arm or service and ranks or trades all low priority OR personnel will be transferred to 8 Inf Bn prior to departure of redundant units for the mainland.

- (11) Pending eventual disposal, 8 Inf Bn will form Coys of the above personnel in the following categories:

- (a) 151 - 159 points
- (b) Personnel 150 points and under who have NOT had leave for 24 months as at 31 Dec 45.

(11) Cont'd

- (c) Personnel 150 points and under who have NOT had leave for 21 months as at 31 Dec 45.
- (d) Personnel 150 points and under who have NOT had leave for 18 months as at 31 Dec 45.
- (e) All other low priority personnel.

2.

DOCUMENTATION

(a) Regtl and Demob documents.

All personnel will be completely documented and equipped in accordance current instructions. Demob and regtl documents will accompany all personnel transferred. An officer or senior NCO will accompany each unit draft and will ensure correct handover to 8 Inf Bn.

(b) Mob 3's.

One copy Mob 3 of all low priority personnel will be forwarded 8 Inf Bn immediately unit is warned for movement, giving the following information:-

Regt No, Rank, Name, Unit, Trade Classification, Present Posting, Number of months since last leave to 31 Dec 45 and Demob indicator.

3.

AREA MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS

Personnel of certain redundant units transferred to 8 Inf Bn will be required to maintain and supply this area in the interim period until the garrison is eventually reduced. This will entail the formation of Sup Dep Pls, Engr Mtce Pls, Gen Spt Pls etc administered by 4 Base Sub Area. 4 Base Sub Area will advise this HQ earliest, details such personnel required for these duties.

Mob 3's required vide para 2(b) above will be endorsed "To be detached for TOKOKIWA Sup Dep Pl" etc.

This HQ will arrange detachment to 4 Base Sub Area such approved personnel who will remain on ~~paper~~ strength only, of 8 Inf Bn and NO physical transfers effected.

4.

Units warned for movement per "KATOUMBA" vide our A-9357 of 221325K will forward one copy Mob 3's of all low priority personnel to 8 Inf Bn immediately. Physical transfers of personnel to 8 Inf Bn will be effected on 26 Dec by 1500 hrs.

5.

Redundant units to move per "KATOUMBA" who have already received replacement orders for low priority personnel from 1 Adv 2 Ech, will arrange movement these personnel to Det NGDD on 26 Dec by 1500 hrs. Units will advise Det NGDD 24 hrs in advance details personnel marching in.

6. It is stressed that the foregoing action detailed will not be effected by other redundant units NOT moving per "KATOOMBA", until specifically advised by this HQ.

P. J. C. Eversen Capt
S.C. 23 Inf Ede.
for

Signed in the Field

23 Dec 45.

Distribution: List "C".

HQ 23 Inf Bde

23 INF BDE ADM INSTR NO. 35/45

SECURITY OF ATTRACTIVE GOODS AND
PREVENTION OF DEPARTURE OF
UNAUTHORISED PERSONNEL THROUGH
TOROKINA PORT

1. 8 Inf Bn will be responsible for the general security of TOROKINA Port. They will:
 - (a) Ensure protection of all consignments of AACs, AASC, AAAS, ORD and all other consignments of attractive stores and supplies in transit from ship to depots.
 - (b) Prevent the departure of unauthorised personnel on ALL outbound vessels, incl those operating on coast-wise or inter island service.

2. 8 Inf Bn will post any guards, picquets or sentries required to satisfactorily carry out this instruction, and will also carry out inspections of ships as considered necessary.

SIGNED IN THE FIELD
23 DEC 45.

W. G. D. 17037
Capt.
SC 23 Inf Bde.

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13, 14, 17, 19, 21, 25, 27, 28, 30,
32, 33, 36, 37, 39, 40, 42, 68, 74,
75, 77

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CIRCULAR 93/45

DISTRIBUTION OF CANTEEN PROFITS

1. The following conditions will be observed when applications are being made by units requiring financial assistance owing to the altered distribution of Canteen Profits :-
 - (a) Requests for financial grants will be submitted through Amenities Officer HQ 23 Inf Bde to DAD Amenities HQ First Army.
 - (b) Requests for goods, material or equipment, normally supplied by Amenities Service will be submitted to 23 Inf Bde Amenities Officer.
 - (c) Requests for either financial grants or goods and equipment will show the certified balance in Unit Trust Account, Posted Strength and in the case of financial grants, the purpose for which it is intended the money will be used.
2. Brigade Amenities Officer in considering requests for goods, equipment etc., will from the information supplied by Units, decide whether the goods will be donated or paid for from Unit Trust funds.
3. Financial grants will only be made in exceptional circumstances and in no case for the purpose of supplementing the ration scale.

SIGNED IN THE FIELD
23 DEC 45.

A. Bogherson
Capt.
HQ 23 Inf Bde.

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75, 77

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

BY

HQ 23 Inf Bde

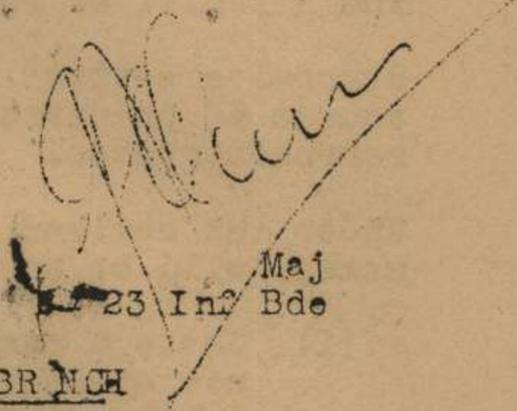
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BRIG N W SIMPSON, COMD 23 INF BDE

Serials 483-492

GENERAL STAFF

N I L



ADJUTANT AND QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S BRANCH

483 DO 95 RETURN

The returns required vide Orders for Demob para 95 in many cases are inaccurate and are not rendered punctually. Particular care will be taken in their compilation and they will reach this HQ by 2000K each Monday.

Immediately prior to movement units must submit column H details of above return which will be the total number of high priority personnel moving with the unit.

It is pointed out that high priority personnel transferred to any other unit are not marched out for demobilization for the purpose of this return.

484 APPLICATION FOR DISCHARGE ON COMPASSIONATE GROUNDS

When AF 361s are submitted on behalf of members who have been transferred in fulfillment of replacement or reposting orders or for any other reason, and who are awaiting movement, they will be compiled as follows :-

- (a) Unit as shown in Part A will be unit to which member has been transferred.
- (b) The formation through which recommendation is to be made by the E of C Area or Comd as shown in Part C will be the formation commanding the unit to which the member has been transferred

485 SECURITY-GUARDING OF ACF RADIOS

Units in possession of ACF radio sets in Recreation hut, Officers' and Sergeants' messes, or elsewhere will take immediate precautions to ensure the safety of these sets at night. If there are no personnel sleeping in the Rec hut or messes sets must be removed to a place providing security against theft.

As units become redundant ALL ACF sets will be returned immediately to the ACF Commissioner at 4 Base Sub Area. Unit commanders will be held responsible for the implementation of these orders.

Radios must ^{NOT} be taken to the mainland of AUSTRALIA.

486 FULL TIME TRAINING COURSES

Discharge for training will be authorised under AMR & O 253A (1) (N) TRG and NOT AMR & O 253A (1) (A) TRG as previously promulgated.

487

SOCIAL SERVICE CONTRIBUTIONS AND INCOME TAX - REDUCTION OF CONTRIBUTIONS BY INSTALMENTS

In consequence of the introduction of social service contributions and the recent reduction of the rates of income tax to be imposed on incomes for the year ending 30 Jun 46, the existing rates of deductions from the military incomes of members of the AIF will be reduced, with effect on and from 1 Jan 46.

Schedules setting out the new rates of tax deductions are in course of preparation and will be distributed to unit pay representatives.

Under the revised legislation, the contributions made by a member will be apportioned as follows :

- (i) Where a member's annual income is such that it does not attract a rate of deduction in excess of 1s 6d in the £, the deductions will be wholly in respect of the member's social service contributions;
- (ii) Where a member's annual income is such that it attracts a rate of deduction in excess of 1s 6d in the £, the first 1s 6d in the £ will be in respect of the member's social service contributions and the excess over 1s 6d in the £ will be in respect of the member's income tax.

(To be republished in unit routine orders)

488

BRITISH COMMONWEALTH FORCE FOR JAPAN

Ref 3 Div RO 455 of 16 Nov 45.

PME or non PME officer volunteers are required for the above force.

Vacancies exist in the following categories on Force and Div HQ.

- (a) G.A. and Q Staff Appointments, all grades
- (b) Service and extra regimental appointments, all grades

Previous nominations are cancelled, but will be reviewed and included in unit returns, where applicable.

COs will forward applications as quickly as possible, together with recommendation as to suitability of officer concerned for vacancies, as per para 2.

Volunteers must comply with the following

- (a) Be medically fit
- (b) Be a member of the AIF
- (c) Be prepared to sign the following undertaking

'I hereby volunteer to serve in British Commonwealth Force for a minimum period of twelve months in JAPAN and a further period of six months thereafter or until earlier relieved or lawfully discharged or dismissed. I fully understand that present AIF conditions of service apply in respect of pay and allowances.'

The following conditions of service for volunteers have been advised.

- (a) No leave will be granted before movement to JAPAN.
- (b) Income tax concessions will operate for the time being.
- (c) War gratuity at overseas rates of 2/6 per day will continue for period of 12 months.
- (d) Exchange rate will be payable.

489 APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO COLONIAL SERVICE

To clarify the position, all applications for civil colonial office appointments must be made under and in accordance with notices appearing in GROs 12 Oct 45 page 11 para 5.

This applies, irrespective of whether application for Staff Officer Civil Affairs has been made under notices in GROs 7 Sep 45.

Date of Submission of applications to Manpower has been extended to 31 Dec 45.

To enable applicants ample opportunity to comply with notice in GRO 12 Oct 45, the above order will be repeated in Unit Routine Orders.

490 ADVICE TO MEMBERS OF DECISION ON APPLICATIONS FOR DISCHARGE, TRANSFER, LEAVE.

Complaints are being received by Area Officers from soldiers through their next-of-kin that they are not being informed by units of the decision regarding their applications for discharge, transfer or leave on occupational or compassionate grounds.

Failure to notify the member of the decision results in discontent amongst members and adverse criticism by the next-of-kin.

Although members must not be advised of the contents of investigation reports, units will ensure that individuals are promptly advised of the decision in all applications for discharge, transfer or leave.

491 SURFING

On and after 20 Dec 45, ANZAC BEACH is closed and swimming and surfing thereat is prohibited.

Beach 4 is available for swimming thereafter. Bathing trunks will be worn at all times by personnel using this area.

492 ISSUE OF WARRANTS TO DISCHARGED PERSONNEL WHO ENLISTED IN NEW GUINEA AND PAPUA

HQ AMF 156491 of 4 Dec 45 reads as follows :-

"Personnel of the Australian Military Forces who enlisted in Papua or New Guinea and have been discharged on the Mainland may be issued with a warrant to enable them to return to their place of enlistment subject to the following conditions :

- (a) A member must produce the authority granted by the Department of External Territories permitting him to return to the Territories before a warrant is issued.
- (b) The scale of accommodation provided for the member will be that prescribed by W.F.R 73 for his rank at date of discharge.

(c) The warrant will provide for travel from place of discharge to place of enlistment.

Particulars of the members to whom warrants are issued in accordance with this instruction will be furnished to HQ AMF".

W. J. ...
Capt
SC 23 Inf Bde

NOTICES

All units will check and advise by 1 Jan 46, if ACF Radios type 5 x 15 Serial Nos. 263 and 464 are held. These sets are on charge to 'U' Hy Bty and 15 Inf Bde Sgts' Mess respectively.

TIME TABLE OF OUTWARD AIRMAIL
SERVICE FROM AUSTRALIA

Time of Departure	Frequency	Service	Mails for	Remarks
0600 hrs	Mon, Tues, Thu, Fri, Sat.	Beaufort (RAAF)	Mainland. Rabaul Jacquinot B. New Guinea	Mails close Adv Base Post Office 1900 hrs
1030 hrs	Wed & Sun	Courier C 47	Mainland. Rabaul Jacquinot B New Guinea	Mails close Base P.O 0800 hrs. Direct Bag Articles 0900 hrs

INWARD MAILS

(approx time only)

Time of Arrival	Frequency	Service	Remarks
1000 hrs	Wed & Sun	Courier C 47	TIMES FOR COLLECTION OF MAIL WILL BE ADVISED THROUGH 9 AS BROADCASTING STATION.
1600 hrs	Mon, Tue, Thu, Fri, Sat.	Beaufort (RAAF)	

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

A78/9/51

Headquarters
First Army (AIF)

19 Dec 45

A. 27355

Subject :- WEEKLY BULLETIN OF PREVENTABLE DISEASES
FOR WEEK ENDED 7 DEC 45

1. The following compilation shows cases evacuated for infectious diseases throughout First Army, and it is promulgated to provide comparative states for the information and study of Unit Commanders.

2. Sub-ordinate formations are requested to forward the whole of this information, together with any additional details relating to local conditions, to the Units under their command.

	S T R E N G T H	MALARIA		DYSENTERY		DENGUE		SCRUB TYPHUS		SKIN DISEASES	
		Cases.	Rate per 1000	Cases.	Rate per 1000	Cases	Rate per 1000	Cases	Rate per 1000	Cases	Rate per 1000
First Army Trps	3562	2	.57	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	1.43
A.N.G.A.U.	1311	3	2.3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3 Div Troops	4113	1	2.4	1	2.4	-	-	-	-	7	1.71
15 Bde Group	507	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
23 Bde Group	3134	7	2.25	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	1.29
29 Bde Group	1586	2	1.25	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	.625
11 Div Troops	5353	1	.18	1	.18	4	.74	-	-	3	.56
4 Bde (HQ & 3 Bns)	1879	-	-	-	-	2	1.05	-	-	-	-
11 Bde { " " " " }	2109	1	.47	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1.43
13 Bde { " " " " }	1698	1	.58	3	1.76	-	-	-	-	4	2.34
6 Div Troops	3435	33	9.76	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	2.06
16 Bde Group	1735	1	.58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
17 Bde Group	1379	4	2.85	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	.71
8 Bde Group	3342	27	8.18	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	1.51
3 Base Sub Area	3638	14	3.88	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	3.33
4 Base Sub Area	6578	9	1.36	2	.3	-	-	-	-	8	1.21
5 Base Sub Area	3896	1	.26	2	.51	1	.26	-	-	3	.77
6 Base Sub Area	888	-	-	1	1.12	-	-	-	-	-	-
LAE Base Sub Area	4878	5	1.02	-	-	5	1.02	-	-	20	4.08
MADANG Area Comd	377	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NAURU Force	255	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

G. W. H. Field
Brig
DA & QMG First Army

LOCAL COMMENTS (by Formations, Base Sub Areas and Area Comds, prior to distribution to Units).

DISTRIBUTION

23 Bde Group	120
8 Bde Group	110
11 Div	100
MADANG Area Comd	4
A.N.C.A.U.	3

Formation	Base Sub Area	Area Comd	Units	Strength
23 Bde Group				
8 Bde Group				
11 Div				
MADANG Area Comd				
A.N.C.A.U.				

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 23 Bde Group
 11 Div

MESSAGE FOR

Originator

Date - T.O.J. 29/12/20 K

FROM: 23 INF ELE

For Action

TO: DISTRIBUTION LIST "C"

AG9581 unclassified (.) de lab statistics first army order A142 of 8 sep
 (.) in future submit returns in normal form showing following dissection
 columns (.) below 125 (.) 125 to 129 (.) 130 to 139 (.) 140 to 149 (.)
 150 to 159 (.) over 159 (.) owing necessity to plan fill newly allotted
 shipping first return as above will be submitted as at 29 dec and
 despatched distrec NG with copy this HQ by 31 dec (.) subsequent returns
 will be fwded with W3009 as previously (.) utmost urgency required
 submission first return

This message may be sent as WRITTEN.

PRIORITY

IMPORTANT

..... *Carthage said*

MESSAGE FORM

Originator

Date- T.O.O. 28/1/51

FROM: 23 INF BDE

For Action

TO: DISTRIBUTION LIST 'C'

HQ 3 DIV DETAILS 4 BASE SUB AREA (75) DET ^{copies}
 DIRECTORATE FR 46 AL SEC NO.4 MIL HIS SEC PL
 HQ 23 FD COY (FAURO) 23 BDE SIG SEC DET 34 WIRELESS
 SEC 7 INF BN (6 copies) 8 INF BN (6 copies) PIB
 (6 copies) DET ATIS 243 SUP DEP PL 13 FD BAKING COY
 DET 13 SMALL SHIPS COY DET 1 WATER A/B CONVOY
 17 FD A/B (4 copies) 64 DENTAL UNIT (3 secs) (4
 copies) 109 BDE ORD FD PK 109 BDE WKSP 126 BDE WISE
 2/108 LAD 52 PORT LDG CRAFT COY 53 PORT LDG CRAFT
 COY 23 BDE POSTAL SEC 14 INLEP PRO PL VISITORS &
 OBSERVERS SEC DET LG AACS NO.2 MOB TRG LHQ SEC F
 MECH HQ FORCE MAINT AREA (FAURO) 6 PORT DET A/B

Copy : Comd Bn SC SC(Lain) SC(Maint FAURO)
 SC (Mov F) SC (Mov FAURO) Mil SEC BASCO
 OO BOO ABDE LEGAL WAR CRIMES COMMS TOWER
 BDR A/BEN HYGIENE CAMP WAR DIARY FILE

AG9615 unclassified (.) demob orders (.) from receipt this signal main
 personnel with priority classification of 150 points and above are high
 priority personnel (.) separate instrs ref disposal of offrs follows (.)
 demob 95 returns commencing 5 Jan will be compiled accordingly (.) above
 measure to ensure maximum personnel available to first allotted
 shipping (.) return required reach this HQ by 311200K showing (a)
 number high priority personnel on str and in area as at 301200K (b)
 number high priority personnel available immediate disposal (.)
 imperative return be punctual to enable loading of ANATINA ETA 1 Jan (.)
 4 base sub area will submit consolidated return (.) above returns ex
 personnel-allotted-NORLINES (.)-all infm

This message may be sent as WRITTEN.

PRIORITY

IMPORTANT

... (unclear) ...

MESSAGE FORM

Date- T00 29/520 K

Originator

FROM: 23 INF BDE

For Action

TO: 4 BASE SUB AREA 8 INF BN 17 FD AMB 23 BDE POSTAL
SEC
Copy : G Q ORD AEME AMEN EDN WAR DIARY FILE

AG9616 unclassified (.) first army AG19749 of 281810K to 11 div and
 23 inf bde refers (.) quote all personnel below 150 points who are
 NOT required for projected OOB 23 inf bde will be moved on transfer
 to 11 div rec camp unquote (.) 8 inf bn 23 bde postal sec and 17 fd
 amb will fwd nominal rolls this HQ of all personnel on str as at 1500
 hrs 30 dec who have 149 points or less and who have had leave since
 31 dec 43 (.) this return will be submitted in categories (.) one (.)
 leave within last 18 months (.) two (.) last leave 18 to 20 months (.)
 three (.) 21 to 23 months (.) no action required concerning personnel
 149 points and under who had leave prior to 31 dec 43 pending further
 instrs from this HQ (.) nominal rolls to show number name initials
 rank trade gp or posting priority points month of last leave (.) 4 base
 sub area will submit this HQ nominal roll in similar form for all
 personnel in categor^{ies} referred to who are at present with redundant
 units and have not been warned for embarkation (.) personnel already
 selected and transferred to units in RABAUL in accordance with 1 adv
 2 ech replacement orders 35 to 40 will not be included in nominal roll
 (.) nominal rolls to be at this HQ by 311800K (.) NO action will
 be taken to effect paper transfer by casualty returns pending further
 instrs this HQ

This message may be sent as WRITTEN.

PRIORITY

IMPORTANT

Albochmore Gahls

MESSAGE FORM

Originator

Date - TOC 31/3/10 K

FROM: 23 INF BDE

For Action

TO: DISTRIBUTION LIST 'C'

AG9365 unclassified (.) following native member PIB AWL from 27
dec believed living with AUST unit this area (.) may endeavour
board vessel bound for AUST (.) PN 5696 GEORGE YABOSIWE (.)
description short thick set native driver speaks ENGLISH fluently
(.) any unit having knowledge of the above member will advise PIB
immediately (.) units are warned regarding the seriousness of
harbouring native personnel

This message may be sent as **DEFERRED**.

PRIORITY

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Diary
 Army Form W.3008
 (Adapted) (Page 1)
 (Revised Jan. 1943)
 48 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 1 / Dec 1945 HQ 23 Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 2 / 4. OFFRS. 20 O.R's. 67 + OFFRS. O.R's. ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

WE
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W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.											
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.							
			1	* Brigadier * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.												
	2 3 1		8 5													
	6		14													
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.		
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).				A.	14									14		
				E.(1)												
				E.(2)												

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO.....(Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / / 194.....

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 1/12/1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Brigadier	WX 1574	POTTS	A W	Bde	Yes	W/N/281	
Lt (T/Capt)	VX114122	FARRAR	G C	SC	"	V/N/201	
Lt (T/Capt)	VX114120	TREVENEN	J L	IO	"	V/N/146	
Capt	NX154323	McKEW	G D	TO	"	N/N/140	
Lt	WX 28748	WRIGHT	G D	LO 2	"	W/N/189	
<u>SERVICES</u>							
Capt	VX 39042	POWELL	L G	BASCO	NO	Emergency Leave	
Capt	NX121135	EWING	R M	AALC	Yes	N/N/197	
Lt	VX100371	WILSON	AWF	BOO	"	V/N/232	
Lt	WX 30121	JONES	R E	EO	"	W/N/209	
Lt	NX105757	ELLIOTT	A G	HO	"	N/N/247	
Lt	SX 28244	RIX	G C	AO	"	S/N/193	
<u>CHAPLAINS</u>							
	VX134089	MAHER	G	Chaplain	4th Class det	7 Bn	
	VX 94301	PILKINGTON	CM	do	do	" 8 "	
	SX 32801	RAWLINS	HEA	do	do	" 27 "	

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Lt	SX 11347	SCOTT R G	HQ 3 Div	2/11/45	Perduty with War Crimes Commission
Capt	NX131713	TRETT F B	15 Bde	26/11/45	do do

1 Dec 45

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 1 / Dec / 1945.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
AAOC Ammunition Examiners	1	1	-	Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, E.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stickers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Shiveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computers								Biggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identifn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Whealers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)	2	2	-	Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				AALC Clerk	1	1	-
Electricians				Cooks	3	3	-	Woodturners				AASC "	1	1	-
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								AAES "	1	1	-
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								AAAS "	1	1	-
Fitters				Driver-Operator								AAOC "	1	1	-
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								AAOC Stmn	1	1	-
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								NONTRADESMEN			
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								Batman	13	13	-
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators								DVRs	9	9	-
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF			
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors				XXXXXXXXXX			
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers				Orderlies	9	10	-
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks	4	6	-	Water duty	1	1	-
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply				Hyg duty	1	1	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	4	5		Clerks, Technical				Gen duty	3	15	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers				Storeman	1	3	-
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Concretors				Mess Cpl	1	1	-
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Cooks				Tpt Sgt	1	1	-
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Dental Clerk Orderlies				CQMS	1	1	-
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Despatch Riders				CSM	1	1	-
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Draughtsmen, Signals				CSM	1	1	-
Pattern Maker				Masons				Drivers, H.T.				ASSIGNED BY W.E.			
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Mechanics				AASC Batmn	1	1	-
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Driver Typn. Plant				AALC "	1	1	-
Photowriter				Miners				Engine Hands, I.C.				AAOC "	1	1	-
Plumber				Moulders				Equipment Repairers				AAChD "	3	1	-
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Farrriers				AAES Batmn	1	1	-
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Fitters' Mates				DVR	1	1	-
								Gun Layers				AANC Ord	1	1	-
CARRIED FORWARD	3	3		CARRIED FORWARD	10	11	-	CARRIED FORWARD	14	17		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	67	84	-

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

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[Signature] Capt
Signal 23 Inf Bde

DETAILS OF WOs AND NCOs

<u>TRADE</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>WE</u>	<u>PS</u>	<u>DEFICIENT</u>	<u>SURPLUS</u>
Trade Gp 1					
AAOC Ann Exam	Sgt	1	1		
Int Draughtsmen	Cpl	1	1		
Trade Gp 2					
AACC Cooks	Cpl	1	1		
Int duties	S/sgt	1	1		
	Cpl	1	-	1	-
Trade Gp 3					
Inf Clerks	WO 11	1	-	1	-
	Sgt	-	2	-	2
	Cpl	1	1		
AALC Clerk	Cpl	1	1		
AAAS "	Sgt	1	-	1	-
AAES "	Sgt	1	-	1	-
AAOC "	Cpl	-	1	-	1
AASC "	Cpl	1	1		
NON TRADESMEN					
Dvr MT	Cpl	1	1		
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	1		
Gen duties	Cpl	1	3	-	2
Mess Cpl	Cpl	1	1		
CSM	WO 11	1	1		
RSM	WO 1	-	1	-	1
COMS	S/Sgt	1	1		
AAMC Ord	Cpl	1	1		

(a) Where any defect or omission is made on part of form, the words "Not Filled" should be written in red in the blank space on the form.
 (b) Where applicable, the correct date should be written in red in the blank space on the form.
 (c) Where applicable, the correct rank should be written in red in the blank space on the form.
 (d) Where applicable, the correct trade should be written in red in the blank space on the form.
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DEMOBILISATION STATISTICS

HQ 23 Inf Bde

1 Dec 45

			Present							
			Str in	Under	100-150-	160-170-	180-190-			
Trade	Rank	WE	Army	100	149	159	169	179	189	199
			Area							

Trade Gp 1

Ann Exam	Sgt	1	1	1					
Int D draughtsmen	Cpl	1	1	1					
	Pte	1	-						

Trade Gp 2

Cooks	Cpl	1	1					1	
	Pte	2	1	1					
Int duties	S/Sgt	1	1	1					
	Cpl	1	-						
	Pte	2	4	4					

Trade Gp 3

Clerks Inf	WO 11	1	-						
	Sgt	-	2	1		1			
	Cpl	1	1	1					
	Pte	2	3	1				2	
Clerk AALC	Cpl	1	1				1		
" AAES	Sgt	1	-						
" AAAS	Sgt	1	-						
	Pte	-	1	1					
" AAOC	Cpl	-	1	1					
" AASC	Cpl	1	1	1					
Storeman AAOC	Pte	-	1	1					

NON SPECIALISTS

Batmen	Pte	13	8	2	4	1	1		
Dvrs MT	Cpl	1	1		1				
	Ptes	8	9		4	1	1	1	2
Orderlies	Pte	9	7	1	6				
Water duty	Pte	1	1		1				
Hyg duty	Pte	1	1		1				
Gen duty	Cpl	1	2						2
	Pte	2	10	4	4			2	
Storeman	Pte	1	3		3				
Mess Cpl	Cpl	1	1		1				
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	1			1			
CQMS	S/Sgt	1	1		1				
CSM	WO 11	1	1			1			
AASC Batman	Pte	1	1					1	
AALC "	Pte	1	1	1					
AAOC "	Pte	1	1		1				
AAChD "	Pte	3	1		1				
AAES Batmn Dvr	Pte	1	-						
AAMC Ord	Cpl	1	1		1				

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The History
FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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(Revised Jan. 1943)
49 / 43 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 30 / 12 / 1943 (Unit) D30

W.E. 31 / 3 / 4 OFFRS. 30 O.R.'s 19 + OFFRS. 07 O.R.'s ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.				
			2	Brigadier *									
	3			Lieut.-Colonels									
	3			Majors									
	1		7	Captains									
			5	Lieutenants									
				Quarter-masters									
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.									
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.									
	0		13										
		DETAIL		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		A.		13									13
		E.(1)											
		E.(2)											

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
337074	Lt	DROUH PHE	HQ 30 Inf Bde	3.10.43	TOS as DCO

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
3300371	Lt	WILSON AW	HQ 30 Inf Bde		SOS Transferred

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / / 194

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 9/12/1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Brigadier	DXL2331	SIMPSON	SW	Comd	Yes		11/1/301
Lt (T/Capt)	VX114133	PARRAR	CC	SC	"		11/1/301
Lt (T/Capt)	VX114130	TREVENN	JL	IO	"		11/1/301
Lt	WX30748	WRIGHT	OD	SC(L)	"		11/1/301
<u>SERVICES</u>							
Capt	VX30042	POWELL	LO	BASCO	NO	Emergency Leave	
Capt	DXL21156	SWING	HI	AALG	Yes		11/1/301
Lt	DX37074	DROWN	PH	BOO	"		11/1/301
Lt	WX30131	JONES	BE	BO	"		11/1/301
Lt	DX105757	ELLIOTT	AO	BO	"		11/1/301
Lt	WX30344	RIX	CC	AO	"		11/1/301
<u>CHAPLAINS</u>							
	VX154000	HARRIS	G	Chaplain		5th Class det 7 Bn	
	VX04301	REYNOLDS	GJI	Co.		Co.	9 Bn
	WX30001	RAWLINS	IMA	Co.		Co.	27 Bn

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Capt (T/Maj)	VX114025	OLIVER	JA 39 Bde	5.12.45	Att. pending reposting as II
Lt (T/Capt)	VX120510	CAMPBELL	JA 20 Bde	5.12.45	" " " "
Capt	DX131713	TREATH	PD 18 Bde	20.11.45	duty War Crimes commission
Lt	WX11347	SCOTT	HO 3 Bde	2.11.45	" " " "

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Date of Despatch

[Signature]
Signature of Commander

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 8 / 12 / 1943 .

Table with 15 columns: Details of Tradesmen (GROUP I, II, III), W.E., Posted Strength, Reints. Required. Rows include various trades like Ammunition Examiners, Surveyors, Operating Room Assis., G.P.O. Assistants, etc.

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back. (b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided. (c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back. (d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required." (e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

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 Part A of Army Form W. 3000 at 0600 Hours Saturday 1/19/41

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PART B Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements retained as shown in PART A

Serial No.	Grade	Name	Regimental Number	Company	Position	Remarks
1	Private
2	Private
3	Private
4	Private
5	Private
6	Private
7	Private
8	Private
9	Private
10	Private
11	Private
12	Private
13	Private
14	Private
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NOTE: (a) If any other name private is involved give details as per...
 (b) Attached index or positions not included in list will be added as required in future...
 (c) Where A.W.A. and A.M.W.S. personnel are included give details as per...
 (d) Where personnel are included give details as per...
 (e) Where any other name private is involved give details as per...
 Date of Dispatch: _____
 Signature of Commander: _____

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)
50 / 45 (Serial No.) 3

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 15/12/1945 HQ 23 Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11 2 / 4 OFFRS. 19 O.R.'s. 66 + OFFRS. O.R.'s. ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
1	2	3	4		6	7	8	9	10					
WE	Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.					
1				1	Brigadier*									
2		2			Lieut.-Colonels									
10		3		7	Majors									
6		1		5	Captains									
					Lieutenants									
					Quarter-masters									
					A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.									
					Civilians Counting as Offrs.									
19		6		13										
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A.	13									13
				E.(1)										
				E.(2)										

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO.....(Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / / 194.....

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday ^{15 12} / ⁵ / 194. (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
COMMANDER							
Col (T/Brig)	WX12321	SIMPSON	NW	Comd	Yes	N/A/261	
STAFF							
Lt(T/Capt)	VX114122	FARRAR	GC	SC	Yes	V/N/201	
Lt	WX28748	WRIGHT	GD	SC(L)	"	W/N/189	
MISCELLANEOUS APPOINTMENTS							
VX Lt (T/Capt)	VX114120	TREVENEN	JL	IO	Yes	V/N/146	
SERVICES							
Capt	WX39042	POWELL	LG	BASCO	No	Emergency Leave	
Capt	WX121155	SWING	FM	AALC	Yes	N/N/197	
Lt	QX37974	BROWN	FHE	BOO	"	G/N/200	
Lt	WX30121	JONES	RE	BO	"	W/N/209	
Lt	WX105757	ELLIOTT	AG	BO	"	N/N/247	
Lt	SK28344	RIX	CC	Amn	"	S/N/193	
CHAPLAINS							
Chaplain	VX134089	MAHER	G	4th Cl	No	Detached 7 Inf Bn	
Chaplain	VX94301	PILKINGTON	GDH	do.	No	" 8 " "	
Chaplain	SK32801	RAWLINS	HEA	do.	No	" 27 " "	

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Capt (t/Maj)	VX114025	OLIVER	JA 29 Bde	5.12.45	Attached pending reposting As IM
Lt(T/Capt)	VX120319	CAMPBELL	IL do.	5.12.45	Att. pending Repest. as IO
Capt	WX151713	TREATT	FB 15 Bde	20.11.45	Duty War Crimes Commission
Lt	SK11347	SCOTT	RG 3 Div	2.11.45	" " " "

16 Dec 45

Date of Despatch

[Signature] Capt
Signature of Commander
SC 23 Aust Inf Bde

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday / /194 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners	1	1		Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radlographers				Stevedores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)	2	4		Carpenters and Joiners	3	7		Wireman				NON-SPECIALISTS			
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners				Batmen	12	23	15
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								Ovrs MT	9	12	16
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								Orderlies	9	9	
Fitters				Driver-Operator								Water Duty	1	1	
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								Wvg Duty	1	2	
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								Gen Duty	2	12	
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								Storemen	1	5	
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Mess Cpl	1	1	
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				Tpt Sgt	1	1	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	4	6		CQIS	1	1	
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				CSI	1	1	
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				RSI	-	1	
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	4	6		Coach Trimmers				SERVICES			
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				AALC Clerk	1	1	
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks				B'men	1	1	
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				AASC Clerk	1	2	
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.	1	1	
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				AABS Clerk	1	-	
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				B'man	1	1	
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics				AAAS Clerk	1	1	
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tpin. Plant				B'man	1	1	
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				AAOC Clerk	-	1	
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers				B'man	1	1	
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers				AAHD B'man	3	1	
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates				ANIG ord	1	1	
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	3	5		CARRIED FORWARD	10	18		CARRIED FORWARD	14	24		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	66	101	*

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
 (b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
 (c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
 (d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.E. in col. "Reints. Required."
 (e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

16 Dec 45

Date of Despatch

[Signature] Capt.
Signature of Commander
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DEMOBILISATION STATISTICS

HQ 23 Inf Bde

15 Dec 45

Trade	Rank	WE	Present								
			Str in Army Area	Under 100	100 -149	150 -159	160 -169	170 -179	180 -189	190 -199	200 & Over
Amn Exam	Sgt	1	1			1					
Int Dman	Cpl&Pte	22	2			2					
Cooks	Sgt	-	1				1				
	Cpl	1	2			1		1			
Int Duties	TGII Pte	2	2			1		1			
	S/sgt	1	1			1					
	Cpl	1	1			1					
Clerks	TGII Pte	2	5	1		4					
	WOII	1	-								
	Sgt	-	1				1				
	Cpl	1	2			2					
	TGIII Pte	2	2			1		1			
<u>NON SPECIALISTS</u>											
CSM	WOII	1	1				1				
CGIS	S/sgt	1	1					1			
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	1				1				
Batmen	Pte	12	13	2		9	1	1			
Dvrs MT	Cpl	1	1			1					
	Pte	8	13			9	1	1			2
Orderlies	Pte	9	6			5	1				
Hyg Duty	Cpl	-	1							1	
Gen Duties	Cpl	1	1					1			
	Pte	2	8	2		4		2			
Hyg Duty	Pte	1	1			1					
Offrs Mess	Cpl	1	1			1					
Water Duty	Pte	1	1			1					
Storemen	Pte	1	5			5					
<u>SERVICES</u>											
AASC Clerk	Cpl	1	1			1					
	B'man	1	1					1			
	Clerk	1	1			1					
AAOC Clerk	Cpl	-	1			1					
	B'man	1	1			1					
AAIC Orderly	Cpl	1	1			1					
AALC Clerk	Cpl	1	1					1			
	B'man	1	1	1							
AAES Clerk	Sgt	1	-								
	B'man	1	1			1					
AAAS Clerk	Sgt	1	-								
	Pte	-	1			1					
AACHD B'man	Pte	3	1			1					
TOTALS		66	85	6	58	5	5	8	3		
					58						

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008 (Adapted) (Page 1), Revised Jan 1943 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 15/12/1945

Hq 29 Inf Bde

(Unit)

W.E. 11/2/4 OFFRS. 19 O.R's. 66 plus OFFRS. O.R's. ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED

Table with 10 columns: 1. W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED, 2. Deficient W.E., 3. Surplus to W.E., 4. Posted Strength, 5. DETAIL, 6. ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E., 7. Arm or Corps, 8. Posted Strength, 9. Surplus to W.E., 10. Deficient W.E., 11. Rein'ts Required. Includes sub-table for DETAIL breakdown.

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary ** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

Table with 6 columns: Army No., Rank, Name and Initials, Unit From, Date, CAUSE

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Table with 6 columns: Army No., Rank, Name and Initials, Unit To, Date, CAUSE. Includes entry: VX114025 Lt(T/Capt) O'SHEA J A Hq 3 Div 7/12/45 Det for duty

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO PARTICULARLY REQUESTED (Unit) IS

Table with 4 columns: Army No., Rank, Name and Initials, REMARKS (e.g. present whereabouts if known)

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 15 12 /1945 (Total to Agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held	Army Number	Surname.	Initials	Posting	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed	Date of Detachment
Staff							
Capt(T/Maj)	VX114025	OLIVER	J A	BM	No	Det 23 Bde N/ /258	5/12/45
Lt(T/Capt)	VX101246	O'SHEA	J A	SG	No	Det 3 Div N/ /269	
MISCELLANEOUS APPOINTMENTS							
Lt(T/Capt)	VX43412	McDULIOGH	J B	IC	Yes	Q/N/197	7/12/45
(T/Capt)	VX120319	CAMPBELL	J A	IC	No	Det 23 Bde V/ /205	5/12/45
SERVICES							
Chaplain	VX205219	PADDISON	N S	Chap	No	Det Lae Base Sub Area N/ /92	
Chaplain	VX94623	STRICKLAND	F P	Chap	No	Att 47 Inf Bn V/ /121	
Lt	VX26408	GRIMM N L	N L	Amen	Yes	S/N/197	
Capt	VX22768	BANGSTER	A K	Legal	Yes	S/N/211	
Lt	VX100371	WILSON	A W F	BOG	Yes	V/N/232	
Lt	VX130485	DYSON	D R	Edn	Yes	N/N/188	
Lt	VX61458	ELDERSHAW.					
		WILSON	P F	Hyg	Yes	Q/N/262	

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number	Name and Initials.	Unit	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.

Date of Despatch

J. McDulough
Signature of Commander

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 15 / 12 / 1945 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, E.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen	2	-		Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheeler				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				Woman	12	3	
Electricians				Cooks	3	3		Woodturners				Dyrrant	9	2	
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								Ords MT	3	2	
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								Ords Sig	-	-	
Fitters				Driver-Operator								Hyg Duty	1	-	
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								Tpt Sgt	1	-	
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								Gen Duty			
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								Offr Mess	1	-	
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Water Duty	3	-	
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	6	1		QSN	1	1	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks				QONS	1	1	
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				AASO Clerk	1	-	
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				Brn	1	-	
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	4			Coach Trimmers				AAOC An Ex	1	-	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				Brn	1	-	
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman		4		Cooks				Clerk	1	1	
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders							
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				ATTACHED BY A.V.F.			
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				AAOC Brn	3	-	
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics				AAOC Clerk	1	1	
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				Brn	1	1	
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				AAES Brn	1	-	
Photewriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers				Storeman	1	-	
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	2	-		CARRIED FORWARD	9	3	-	CARRIED FORWARD	15	4		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	66	16	-

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
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15 Dec 45

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

Capt

DEMOBILISATION STATISTICS

APPENDIX 'A'

UNIT : HQ 29 INF BDE

DATE : 15 Dec 45

Trade	Rank	WE	Present str in army area	Priority classification under Demob scheme								
				Under 100	100-149	150-159	160-169	170-179	180-189	190-200	200-249	
TRADE GP 1												
Topo Draughtsman	Cpl	1										
Topo Draughtsman	Pte	1										
TRADE GP 2												
Cooks	Cpl	1										
Cooks	Pte	2										
Int Duties	S/Sgt	1				1			1			
Int Duties	Cpl	1										
Int Duties	Pte	2										
TRADE GP 3												
Clerks	WOII	1										
Clerks (Aman)	Sgt	1							1			
Clerks (Edn)	Sgt	1										
Clerks	Cpl	1										
Clerks	Pte	2										
NON SPECIALISTS												
CSM	WOII	1										
COMS	S/Sgt	1										
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1										
Batmen	Pte	12										
Dvrs MT	Cpl	1										
Dvrs MT	Pte	8					1					
Crds MT	Pte	3										
Crds Sig	Pte	6										
Hyg Duties	Pte	1										
Gen Duties	Cpl	1										
Gen Duties	Pte	2										
Gen Duties												
Offrs Mess	Cpl	1										
Water Duty	Pte	1										
Storeman	Pte	1										
SERVICES												
AASC - Clerk	Cpl	1										
B'man	Pte	1										
AACC - Am Exam	Sgt	1										
TGB Clerk	Pte	1										
Batman	Pte	1								1		
AAMC - Med Ord	Cpl	1										
AALC - Clerk	Cpl	1										
B'man	Pte	1								1		
AAES - B'man	Pte	1								1		
AACHD - B'man	Pte	3										
TOTALS				15			1		1		3	4

* Awaiting re-posting

* To be repeated prior to unit embarking for mainland

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
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51 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 23 12 / 5 / 1945 HQ 23 Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 2 / 4 OFFRS. 19 O.R's. 66 + OFFRS. O.R's. ATT. BY W.E.

War Diary
I Sec

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
1	2	3	4		6	7	8	9	10
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.
				Brigadier *					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
				Majors					
				Captains					
				Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
			9						
			5						
			15						
	4								
				15					

DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL
A.			15							15
E.(1)										
E.(2)										

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
DK121934	Capt	O'DONNELL JJ	244 Sup Dep Pl	11.10.45	Be seconded and apptd BA300 23 Inf Bde vice WX34002 Capt L.G. POWELL
X 134323	Capt	McKEW GD	109 GCS	17.12.45	M/I ex hospital
K120319	Capt	CAMPBELL IL	HQ 29 Inf Bde	do	Trans to 23 Inf Bde as IO AMS11705 of 17 Dec 45

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
IX 39042	Capt	POWELL L G	AASC	11/10/45	ceases to be seconded Relinquish appt of BA300 23 Inf Bde

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / / 194

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 22 / 12 / 1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
COMBATANT							
Col (T/Maj)	ND12221	SIMPSON	H W	Comd	Yes	H/-/261	
STAFF							
Lt(T/Capt)	VX114122	FARRAR	G C	SC	Yes	V/N/303	
Lt	WX38748	WRIGHT	G D	SC(L)	"	W/N/309	
MISCELLANEOUS APPOINTMENTS							
Lt(T/Capt)	VX114120	TREVEREN	J L	LO 1	Yes	V/N/146	
Capt	WX134323	McKEN	G D	IO	"	H/N/140	
Capt	VX120319	CAMPBELL	D L	IO	"	V/-/305	
SERVICES							
Capt	ND121155	EWING	R H	AALG	Yes	H/N/197	
Lt	OX 37974	BROWN	P H E	BOO	"	O/-/300	
Lt	WX 30121	JONES	R E	BO	"	W/N/309	
Lt	WX105757	ELLIOTT	A G E	HO	"	H/N/347	
Lt	SX 23244	RIX	G C	Amn	"	S/N/195	
CHAPLAINS							
Chaplain	VX134089	MAHER	G	4th Cl	No	Detached 7 Inf Bn	
Chaplain	VX 94501	PILKINGTON	G D H	do	No	" 8 " "	
Chaplain	SX 52801	HAWLINS	H E A	do	No	" 27 " "	
CHANGE OF POSTING							
Lt(T/Capt)	VX114120	TREVEREN	J L	RELINQUISHES APPT AS IO			
		APPOINTED	LO 1				

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Capt (T/Maj)	VX114025	OLIVER JA	29 Bde	5.12.45	Att pending reposting as M
Capt	WX131713	TRETT FB	15 Bde	20.11.45	Duty War Crimes Commission
Lt	SX 11547	SCOTT RC	3 Div	2.11.45	" " " "
Capt	OX 734	GUEST CI	"	10.12.45	Att pending reposting as M(L)
Lt	WX102080	HOPE IR	7 Bn	"	" " " " LO(3)
Lt	WX103502	COUSINS AC	2/4 Pd Regt	"	" " " " LO(2)
Maj	VX 18838	TURNER FB	3 Div	10.12.45	Att increments from 3 Div
Maj	VX102794	REES FP	"	10.12.45	" " " "
Capt	OX 36569	COCHRANE GA	2 Corps	"	" " reposting as SC

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PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
			2 Corps		
2nd Lt	VX 85008	WOOD GMP	Int Sec	19.12.45	Att increments from 3 Div
2nd Lt	VX101046	O'SHEA JA	29 Bde	"	"
2nd Lt	OX 67908	STEPHENS JWT	5 Div	"	"
					AIS 11782 of 10 Dec
2nd Lt	IX104279	STIONS HS	27 Bn	"	Att increments from 3 Div
	VX103818	QUINN CE	5 Div	"	"
	IX 79144	HERRY GA	"	"	"
	IX208970	MCPARLANE A	"	"	"

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HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde

Unit

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 22 / 12 / 1945.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP H. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners	1	1		Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assis.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, E.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddietree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identifn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Hty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths	NON-SPEC		
Draughtsmen (Topographical)	2	4		Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				Batmen	12	15	
Electricians				Cooks	3	6		Woodturners				Dvrs MT	9	15	
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								Orderlies	9	9	
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								Water Duty	1	1	
Fitters				Driver-Operator								Hyg Duty	1	1	
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								Gen Duty	2	11	
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								Storemen	1	1	
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								Mess Cpl	1	1	
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Tpt Sgt	1	1	
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				CQIS	1	1	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	4	6		CSM	1	1	
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				RSN	1	1	
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				SERVICES			
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	4	10		Coach Trimmers				AALC Clerk	1	1	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				AALC Bat	1	1	
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks				AASC Clerk	1	1	
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				AASC Bat	1	1	
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				AAES Clerk	1	1	
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				AAES Bat	1	1	
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics				AAAS Clerk	1	1	
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				AAAS Bat	1	1	
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				AAGC Clerk	1	1	
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers				AAGC Bat	1	1	
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers				AAChd Bat	1	1	
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates				AAAC Ord	1	1	
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	3	5		CARRIED FORWARD	10	21		CARRIED FORWARD	14	27		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	66	103	*

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.E. in col. "Reints. Required."
(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

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Part A of Army Form W.3003 at 0600 Hours Saturday 22 / 12 / 1941
PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in

GROUP I		DETAILS OF WO's and NCO's				GROUP II	
Posting	Rank	WE	P.S.	DEFICIENT	SURPLUS	Posting	Rank
Int Duties	s/sgt	1	1				
	Cpl	1	1				
Draughtsman	Cpl	1	2		1		
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	1				
CSM	WO 11	1	1				
RSM	WO 1	-	1		1		
CQMS	s/sgt	1	1				
Clerks Inf	WO 11	1	-		1		
	Sgt	-	1		1		
	Cpl	1	2		1		
Dvrs MT	Cpl	1	1				
Cooks	Sgt	-	1		1		
	Cpl	1	2		1		
Gen Duty	Cpl	1	2		1		
Mess Cpl	Cpl	1	1				
Hyg	Cpl	-	1		1		
SERVICES							
AASC Clerk	Cpl	1	1				
AAMC Orderly	Cpl	1	1				
AALC Clerk	Cpl	1	1				
AAES Clerk	Sgt	1	1				
AAAS Clerk	Sgt	1	-		1		
AAOC Clerk	Cpl	-	1		1		
AAOC AMN EXAM	Sgt	1	1				
Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7 and 1 and 10 of Part A respectively.		CARRIED FORWARD		CARRIED FORWARD		CARRIED FORWARD	

NOTE: (a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorized trades of specialists not included in list will be added as required in space provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.B. and/or A.A.M.W.B. personnel are detailed show details on back.
(d) Where replacement not detailed note accordingly on return by insertion of N.E. in col. "Releas. Required".
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DEMobilisation STATISTICS

Hq 23 Inf Bde

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Trade	Rank	WB	Present Str in Army AFGE	Under	150	160	170	180	190	200 &
				100	149	159	169	179	189	199
Ann Exam	Sgt	1	1		1					
Int Dman	Cpl & Pte	2	5		3					
Cooks	Sgt	-	1			1				
	Cpl	1	2		1		1			
	Pte	2	2		1		1			
Int Duties	s/sgt	1	1		1					
	Cpl	1	1		1					
	Pte	2	8	2	5			1		
Clerks	WO 11	1	-							
	Sgt	-	1			1				
	Cpl	1	2		2					
	Pte	2	2		1			1		
<u>NON SPECIALISTS</u>										
CSI	WO 11	1	1			1				
CGIS	s/sgt	1	1					1		
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	1			1				
Batman	Pte	12	13	2	9	1	1			
Dvrs MT	Cpl	1	1		1					
	Pte	8	12		8	1	1		2	
Orderlies	Pte	9	6		5	1				
Hyg Duty	Cpl	-	1							1
Gen Duties	Cpl	1	1					1		
	Pte	2	7	2	4			1		
Hyg Duty	Pte	1	1		1					
Offrs Mess	Cpl	1	1		1					
Water Duty	Pte	1	1		1					
Storemen	Pte	1	5		5					
<u>SERVICES</u>										
AASC Clerk	Cpl	1	1		1					
Batman	Pte	1	1					1		
Clerk	Pte	-	1		1					
AAOC Clerk	Cpl	-	1		1					
Batman	Pte	1	1		1					
AAHC Orderly	Cpl	1	1		1					
AALC Clerk	Cpl	1	1					1		
Batman	Pte	1	1	1						
AAES Clerk	Sgt	1	1		1					
Batman	Pte	1	1		1					
AAAS Clerk	Sgt	1	-							
"	Pte	-	1		1					
AAGhd Batman	Pte	3	1		1					
TOTALS		66	88	7	60	5	5	8	3	

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

(Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 29 12 5 / 194 (Unit) HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde

W.E. II 2 4 / IO 66 OFFRS. IO O.R's. 66 + OFFRS. IO O.R's. 66 ATT. BY W.E. 1 See

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9	10				
W Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.					
1				I	Brigadier*									
2	2			I	Lieut. Colonels									
IO				II	Majors									
6		1		II	Captains									
	2			4	Lieutenants									
					Quarter-masters									
					A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.									
					Civilians Counting as Offrs.									
IO	4	1	IO											
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A.										
				E.(1)	IO									
				E.(2)										

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
HX103926	Capt	DICKSON H.C.	HQ 30 ADV SUP HEPOT	27/12/45	seconded and appt Capt AASC HQ 23 Inf Bde
Q1734	Capt	GUEST	3 Aust Div	23.12.45	H/I ex 3 Div
HX104279	Capt	SEIGNS H.S.	27 Inf Bde	23.12.45	H/I ex 27 Inf Bde
Q 26569	Capt	G. GIBBS G.A.	2 CORPS	20.12.45	H/I ex 2 Corps.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
HX104323	Capt	Mc RAY G.D.	HQ 23 Inf Bde	27/12/45	Movement on reposting Ceases to be seconded Beltinguish appt of T.O. 23 Inf Bde
HX105757	Lt	ELLIOTT A.C.	HQ 23 Inf Bde	27/12/45	Movement to AUSTRALIA
HX105034	Capt	O'DONNELL J.J.	HQ 23 Inf Bde	23.12.45	Compassionate release Ceases to be seconded from appt AASC HQ 23 Inf Bde

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. /194

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Lt	VXI03 813	QUINN CE	3 Div	19.12.45	Att increments from 2 di
Lt	NX79114	BERRY G A	"	"	" " " "
Lt	NXI68970	McFARLANE A	"	"	" " " "

30-12-45
Date of Despatch

[Signature]
Signature of Commander
a.w. 3m bks 12/44
Camp Council 23 Bde

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 29 12 /1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
COMMANDER							
Col (T/Brig)	NXI222I	SIMPSON	N W	Comd	Yes	N/-/26I	
STAFF							
Capt	QX26569	COCHRANE	G A	SC	Yes	Q/-/255	
Lt	WX28748	WRIGHT	G D	SCL	"	W/N/189	
Capt	QX734	GUEST	C I	EML	"	N/-/279	
MISCELLANEOUS APPOINTMENTS							
Lt(T/Capt)	VXII4I20	TREVENEN	J L	IO I		V/N/146	
Capt	NXI04279	SYMONS	N S	IO	Yes	V/-/154	
Capt	VXII4025	CAMPBELL	D L	IO	"	V/-/205	
Lt(T/Capt)	VXII4I2	FARRAR	G C		"	V/N/20I	
SERVICES							
Capt	NXI03926	DICKSON	H C	BASCO	Yes	N/-/164	
Capt	NXI21135	EWING	R M	AALC	"	N/N/197	
Lt	QX37974	BROWN	F H E	BOO	"	Q/-/200	
Lt	WX3012I	JONES	R E	E O	"	W/N/209	
Lt	SK28244	RIX	C C	AMEN	"	S/N/193	
CHAPLAINS							
Chaplain	VXI34089	MAHER	G 4	CL	No	Detached to 7 Inf Bn	
Chaplain	VX9430I	PILKINGTON	C D M	do	No	" " " "	
Chaplain	SX3280I	RAWLINS	N E A	do	No	" " " "	
CHANGE OF POSTING							
Capt	NXI04279	SYMONS	N S	APPOINTED TO			
Capt	NXI03926	DICKSON	H C	APPOINTED BASCO			
Capt	QX734	GUEST		APPOINTED EML			
Capt	QX26569	COCHRANE	G A	APPOINTED SC			
Capt	VXII4I20	FARRAR	G C	RELINQUISHES APPOINTMENT AS SC			

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Capt(T/ma J)	VXII4025	OLIVE R JA	29Bde 3	12.45	Att pending Reposting asEML
Capt	NXI151713	TRETT FB	2015Bde	20.11.45	Duty War Crimes Commission
Lt	SKII347	SCOTT R G	3Div	2.11.45	" " " "
Lt	VXI02080	HOPE IR	7 Bn	-	Att pending reposting asEML(3)
Lt	NXI03503	COUSINS L	2/4Fd Regt	-	Att pending reposting asLO(
Capt	VX85008	WOOD GMP	2Corps IS	19.12.45	Att Increments from 3 Div
Capt	VXI01846	O'SHEA JA	29 Bde	"	" " " " "
Capt	QX57962	STEPHENS JWI	3 Div	"	" " " " "

30-12-45

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

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Camp. Band 23 Bde

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday / / 194 .

Table with 15 columns: Details of Tradesmen (GROUP I, II, III), W.E., Posted Strength, Reints. Required. Rows include various trades like Ammunition Examiners, Surveyors, Operating Room Assis., G.P.O. Assistants, etc.

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back. (b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided. (c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back. (d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required." (e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

Date of Despatch

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Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 1943

Part E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in

UNIT ON PA A OF W 3009

Table with columns for 'Details of Troopmen', 'Rank', 'Grade', 'Position', 'Remarks', and 'Status'. It lists personnel for 'GROUP I' and 'GROUP II' with various military titles and ranks.

SERVICES

NOTE

ERRORS IN PT II NOT YET INVESTIGATED (XX)

ATTACHED BY W/R

TOTALS OF COLUMN marked * to agree with column 4 and 7 and 1 and 10 of Part A respectively.

NOTE: (a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back. (b) Authorized trades or specialties not included in list will be added as required in space provided. (c) Where A.W.B. and/or A.A.M.W.B. personnel are detailed show details on back. (d) Where replacement not detailed note accordingly on return by member of W.R. in col. 'Remarks Required'. (e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words 'See Back' should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

Signature of Commander

Date of Despatch

MOBILIZATION STATISTICS

HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde

29/12/45

Trade	Rate	Present/In		Below					
		WS	Army Area	125	130-139	140-149	150	150 & Over	
Actl Bde	Sjt	1	1						
Int Bde	Cpl	1	2		1				
"	Pte	1	1			1			
Int Bde	S/Sjt	1	1				1		
	Cpl	1	1						
TG II	Pte	2	7	5		2			
Clerks	WO II	1	1				1		
"	Sjt	-	1					1	
"	Cpl	1	4	1			2	1	
TG II	Pte	2	2	2					
<u>NON-SPECIALIST</u>									
Cpl	WO II	1	1					1	
Cpl	S/Sjt	1	1					1	
Sjt	Sjt	1	1					1	
Batman	Pte	12	13	5	2	7	2	2	
Over HT	Cpl	1	1		1				
"	Pte	0	13	1	2	3	3	1	
Orderlies	Pte	0	0	2	2	5			
Hyg Duty	HEE Opl	-1-	1	1					
Offrs Mess	Cpl	1	1	1					
"	Sjt	-	1			1			
Water Duty	Pte	1	1			1			
Storeman	Pte	1	7	2		3	2		
Con Duty	Cpl	1	1				1		
	Pte	2	11	4	2	2	2	1	
<u>IN VICES</u>									
AACB Clerk	Cpl	1	1	1			1		
Batman	Pte	1	1	1					
Clerk	Pte	1	1	1					
AACB Clerk	Cpl	1	1	1					
Batman	Pte	1	1	1					
AACB Orderly	Cpl	1	1	1					
AALC Clerk	Cpl	1	1	1			1		
Batman	Pte	1	1	1					
AABS Clerk	Sjt	1	1	1	1				
Batman	Pte	1	1	1		1			
AAAB Clerk	Sjt	1	1	1			1		
"	Pte	-	1	1			1		
AACHD Batman	Pte	3	1	1	1				
AACB Cooks	Sjt	-	-	-					
	Cpl	1	2				1	1	
TG II	Pte	2	2		1	1			
TOTALS			66 105	30	10	42	16	7	